City of Somerville
Union Hall Corner Building, Bow Street
January 3, 1898

✓ Inauguration City Government 1898.

The members-elect of the city council of 1898, in pursuance of notices issued by the City Clerk, as directed by the Board of Aldermen by an order passed December 22, 1897, and in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter, assembled, as above, at ten o'clock A.M. to inaugurate the city government of Somerville, for the municipal year beginning this day.

The city clerk, George A. Kimmett, presided.

Present,— Aldermen-elect Huntley, Lapham, Dawlin, Tarbox, Lamont, Kilmer, Ball and Cummings, and Councilmen-elect Burrows, Gracey, Burns, Thomson, Kenney, Osborne, Lord, Kinal, Berry, Wilson, Cushman, Grimmour, Story, Crocker, Foster and Smith.

✓ Vote committee to inform mayor-elect - city council elect ready for inauguration.

Aldermen-elect Ball offered the following motion,—

Voted.—

That a committee to consist of one alderman-elect and two councilmen-elect, be appointed by the chair, to wait upon the Mayor-elect, and inform him that the members-elect of the city-council are prepared to receive him for the purpose of organizing the city government for the ensuing municipal year.

Adopted, and Alderman-elect Ball and Councilmen-elect Wilson, and Burrows, appointed as the committee.

✓ Committee's Report

The committee appointed to wait on the Mayor-elect having performed its duty, reported that the Mayor-elect awaited the pleasure of the members-elect of the city council.

✓ Vote committee to escort mayor-elect to platform

Alderman-elect Huntley offered the following motion,—

Voted:—

That a committee to consist of one alderman-elect and two councilmen-elect, be appointed by the chair, to conduct the

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Mayor-elect to the platform.	
Adopted, and Alderman-elect Huntley and councilmen-elect Kenney and Story appointed as the committee.	
The committee last-named, retired and returned with the Mayor-elect, Hon. Albion L. Perry, whom they conducted to the platform.	Mayor-elect conducted to platform ✓
Prayer was offered by Rev. George S. Butters, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church.	Prayer ✓
The city clerk read from the records of the Board of Aldermen of date of December 15, 1897, that at the election held December 7, 1897, Albion L. Perry was elected Mayor of the city for the ensuing municipal year.	Record of Election of Mayor ✓
The oaths of office were then administered to the Mayor-elect by Hon. Isaac Story, Justice of the Somerville Police Court, and the said oaths were subscribed to by the Mayor-elect, and certificate thereof was read by Justice Story in book of oaths, Volume 3, page 3, in the city clerk's office.	Mayor sworn ✓
The city clerk read from the same records, that at the said election, aldermen of the city for the ensuing municipal year, were elected as follows:—	Record of Election of Aldermen ✓
Aldermen from Ward One	
L. Herbert Huntley, F. De Witt Lapham	
Aldermen from Ward Two	
James F. Darlin, French O. J. Tarbox	
Aldermen from Ward Three	
Andrew A. Lamont, Frederick M. Kilmer	
Aldermen from Ward Four	
John N. Ball, Silas L. Cummings	
The oaths of office were then administered to the aldermen-elect by Judge Story, and the said oaths were subscribed to by	Aldermen sworn ✓

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the aldermen-elect and certificate thereof was made by Justice Story in book of oaths, Volume 3, page 3, in the city clerk's office

✓ Record of Election of Common Councilmen

The city clerk read from the same record that at the said election, common councilmen of the city for the ensuing municipal year, were elected as follows, —

Common Councilmen from Ward One

Frank B. Burrows — Robert Burns
Orice M. Gracey — Willard P. P. Thomson

Common Councilmen from Ward Two

James W. Kenney — David D. Lord
Arthur D. Osborne — Arthur P. Kinal

Common Councilmen from Ward Three

Arthur W. Berry — William C. Cushman
Francis M. Wilson — Charles A. Grimmons

Common Councilmen from Ward Four

Isaac M. Story — John F. Foster
David W. Crocker — Paul J. Smith

✓ Common Councilmen sworn

Judge Story then administered the oaths of office to the common councilmen-elect and the said oaths were duly subscribed and certified on page 3 of the book of oaths hereinbefore referred to.

✓ Mayor's address

His Honor, the Mayor, then delivered his inaugural address.

✓ Common Council retires

The Common Council then retired to its room to organize by choice of a President and a Clerk.

✓ Board of Aldermen

In Board of Aldermen

His Honor, Mayor Perry, presiding
Aldermen all present

✓ Message from Common Council

Received from the Common Council the following message, —

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In Common Council, January 3, 1898 — Organization ✓

To the Honorable the Mayor
and the Board of Aldermen,—
Gentlemen:—

I have the honor to inform you that the common council has organized for the current year by the choice Francis M. Wilson as president, and Chas. J. Robertson as clerk.

Respectfully,
Chas. J. Robertson,
Clerk.

Read for information.

Alderman Tarbox offered the following order,— — Order ✓ Adopting Rules and Orders of Board of Aldermen.

Ordered:—

That the standing rules and orders of the last board of aldermen be and they hereby are adopted for the government of this board until otherwise ordered. Adopted

Alderman Lamont offered the following order,— — Order ✓ requesting convention for election of City Clerk and Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.

Ordered:—

That a message be sent to the common council requesting a convention of the two branches of the city council, for the purpose of electing a city clerk and a treasurer and collector of taxes, and to act upon such other matters as may properly come before the convention. Adopted, and Alderman Lamont appointed a message to convey the request to the Common Council. In Common Council, Jan. 3, 1898. Request granted and Councilman Gracey appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.

On motion of Alderman Huntley, it was voted to proceed to the election of a president of the board of aldermen. — Election ✓ President of Board of Aldermen

Aldermen Huntley and Cummings were appointed a committee to receive, assort, and count the votes, and having attended to that duty they reported as follows,—

Whole number of ballots 8
Necessary for choice 5
John N. Ball has 7
L. H. Huntley " 1

and John N. Ball was declared elected.

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On motion of Alderman Huntley the vote was made unanimous for Alderman Ball

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Convention

In Convention of the City Council

His Honor Mayor Perry, presiding
Aldermen and Councilmen all present

√ Election of City Clerk

In pursuance of an order passed this day, the convention proceeded to the election of a city clerk for the ensuing municipal year. Alderman Lufkin and Councilmen Osborne and Foster were appointed a committee to receive, assort and count the votes, and after attending to that duty they reported as follows,-

Whole number of ballots 34
Necessary for choice 18
George S. Vincent ... has ... 34

and George S. Vincent was declared elected

√ Election of Treasurer & Collector of Taxes

In pursuance of the same order, the convention proceeded to the election of a treasurer and collector of taxes for the ensuing municipal year.

Aldermen Cummings and Councilmen Gracy and Gray were appointed a committee to receive, assort and count the votes, and after attending to that duty they reported as follows,-

Whole number of ballots 33
Necessary for choice 18
John F. Hyde ..... has 33

and John F. Hyde was declared elected

√ City Clerk Treasurer & Collector of Taxes and Clerk of Common Council sworn

The city clerk-elect, treasurer and collector of taxes-elect and clerk-elect of the common council were severally sworn to the faithful performance of their duties, the oaths being administered by His Honor the Mayor, Albion A. Perry, Esq. Justice of the Peace, and the said oaths were duly subscribed and certified, on page 67 of volume 3 of the Book of Oaths in the City Clerk's office

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Alderman Dawlin offered the following resolution:— | Resolution ✓ Printing of Mayor's Address

Resolved:—

That His Honor, the Mayor, be and he hereby is requested to furnish the Committee on Printing with a copy of his Inaugural Address for publication.

Read twice and adopted.

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order:— | Order ✓ Adopting Joint Rules and Orders

Ordered:—

That the joint rules and orders of the last city council be and they hereby are adopted for the government of the present city council until otherwise ordered.

Adopted.

The purposes for which it was assembled, having been accomplished, the convention was dissolved, and the Common Council returned to its room. | Convention dissolved ✓

In Board of Aldermen | Board of Aldermen ✓

His Honor, Mayor Perry, presiding.

Aldermen all present.

On motion of Alderman Huntley it was voted that when the board adjourns, it adjourn until Wednesday, the 12th inst. at 8 o'clock P.M. | Adjournment ✓

Adjourned.

Attest,

George S. Vincent

City Clerk

Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Somerville, Jan. 12, 1898 - 7 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry, presiding
Aldermen Huntley, Pratt, Darling, Tarbox, Lamont, Kilham, Ball and Cummings present.

√ Drawing Seats

Seats were drawn as follows, - the numbers beginning on the right of the chair, -

No. 1 by Alderman Lapham,
No. 2 by Alderman Huntley,
No. 3 by Alderman Tarbox,
No. 4 by Alderman Darling,
No. 5 by Alderman Lamont,
No. 6 by Alderman Cummings,
No. 7 by Alderman Kilham,
No. 8 by Alderman Ball

By unanimous consent of the board, Aldermen Cummings and Kilham exchanged seats

Records approved

√ Committees on part of Board of Aldermen

His Honor, the Mayor, appointed committees on the part of the board of aldermen for the current year, as follows: -

Joint Standing Committees

Accounts - Aldermen Lamont and Tarbox;
City Engineering - Aldermen Lapham and Lamont;
Claims - His Honor the Mayor, Alderman Lapham,
Electric Lights - Aldermen Ball, Huntley and Darling;
Finance - His Honor the Mayor, Aldermen Kilham and Huntley;
Fire Department - Aldermen Huntley and Lamont;
Fuel and Street Lights - Aldermen Darling and Lamont;
Highways - Aldermen Lapham and Darling;
Legislative Matters - His Honor the Mayor, Alderman Kilham;
Ordinances - Aldermen Tarbox and Cummings;
Printing - Aldermen Darling and Cummings;

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Public Grounds - Aldermen Ball and Kilmer;
Public Property - Aldermen Cummings and Kilmer;
Soldiers' Relief - Aldermen Dawlin and Cummings
Fuel - Aldermen Huntley and Tarbox;

Standing Committees of the Board of Aldermen

Elections and Returns - Aldermen Cummings, Dawlin and Kilmer.
Enrolled Ordinances and Resolutions - Aldermen Kilmer, Huntley and Ball
Licenses - Aldermen Tarbox, Cummings and Huntley
Police - His Honor the Mayor, Aldermen Ball and Lapham
Sewers - Aldermen Lamont, Ball and Tarbox
Special Building Permits - Aldermen Lapham and Huntley
Waste Aid - Aldermen Tarbox, Lapham, Lamont and Ball

Read and sent down for information

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Committees on part of Common Council ✓

Received from the Common Council a list of the committees appointed on the part of that branch for the current year.

Joint Standing Committees

Accounts - Councilmen Grimmons, Thomson and Osborne
City Engineering - Councilmen Berry, Kenney and Crocker
Claims - the President of the Common Council, Councilmen Thomson and Smith
Electric Lines - Councilmen Story and Kinal
Finance - the President of the Common Council, Councilmen Kenney, Story, Gracey and Foster
Fire Department - Councilmen Burrows, Kinal and Foster
Fuel and Street Lights - Councilmen Cushman, Story and Kenney
Highways - Councilmen Gracey, Grimmons and Crocker
Legislative Matters - the President of the Common Council, Councilmen Lord and Foster
Ordinances - Councilmen Story, Thomson and Berry
Printing - Councilmen Osborne, Grimmons and Burns
Public Grounds - Councilmen Burrows, Smith and Osborne

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Public Property - Councilmen Perry, Lord and Burns.
Soldiers' Relief - Councilmen Burrows, Kinal and Cushman.
Water - the President of the Common Council, Councilmen Lord and Gracey.

Standing Committees of the Common Council.

Elections and Returns - Councilmen Gracey, Crocker and Cushman.
Enrolled Ordinances and Resolutions - Councilmen Perry, Kinal and Smith.

In Common Council, Jan. 12. Appointments announced by President of the Common Council. Sent up for information.
In Board of Aldermen, Jan. 12. Read for information.

Communication

Received the following communication from His Honor the Mayor:-

To The Honorable City Council:-

In my inaugural address to last year's City Council, I referred to the subject of a public park on the summit of Prospect Hill, and dwelt upon the importance of setting apart a small tract of land for the purpose. No action was taken upon the question by the City Council, for the reason, doubtless, that all the money which could be borrowed on funded debt account was required for other purposes. I make mention of the project at this time, chiefly to remind you that nothing can be done in the way of acquiring land on Prospect Hill for park purposes without first obtaining permission from the Legislature. I would recommend that an order be adopted, authorizing the Mayor to petition the General Court for such legislation as will enable the City Council, at any time during the next five years, to take land for a public park on the summit of Prospect Hill. I would further suggest that the act be so framed as to permit of the assessment of betterments upon adjacent lands which may be specially benefited by the laying out of the proposed park. Such a provision in the bill would do no harm, even if it should be deemed inexpedient to take advantage of it. By securing the before-mentioned legislation, the City Council of this or some succeeding year will be placed in a situation to take action in the premises whenever the financial condition

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of the city shall permit.

Another subject to which I ask your early attention relates to the lighting of some of the residential streets of the city with Welsbach lights. From information which I have received from various sources, I am led to believe that a great improvement can be made in the street lighting service, and a considerable saving in cost, by adopting the Welsbach system. The Welsbach lights are now in use in Cambridge, Worcester, Brookline, and many other cities and towns in New England, and are giving general satisfaction to the citizens. The Mayor of Cambridge, in his late inaugural address, declares that the Welsbach lights are "far in advance of anything shown in our city with the exception of the arc electric light."

If it is true, as claimed by the Welsbach Lighting Company and confirmed by disinterested observers, that two or three times as much light can be obtained by this system as from incandescent electric lights, and at the same cost, a careful investigation of the question should be made before a new contract is entered into with the Somerville Electric Light Company.

The Welsbach Company is willing to engage in an experimental lighting of one or two of our streets, without expense to the city, and Street arrangements will be speedily made for such a test.

Respectfully submitted,

Albion A. Perry,
Mayor.

Read and sent down for information.

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His Honor the Mayor made appointments, subject to confirmation by the board, as follows,— Appointments ✓

City Messenger ---------- Jairus Brown
City Engineer ---------- Ernest W. Bailey
Clerk of Committees ---------- William P. Mitchell
Clerk of the Board of Assessors ---- Albert B. Fales
Member of the Somerville Mystic Water Board for three years George A. Kimball
Inspector of Milk and Vinegar -- Charles S. Phibrick
Inspector of Petroleum or Earth Rock Oil, or any of their products ---

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	Charles S. Philbrick,	
Constables	Melville C. Parkhurst,	George H. Carlton
	Robert A. Perry,	Jairus Mann,
	Edward McGann,	William D. Hayden,
	Christopher C. Cavanagh,	Charles C. Folsom,
	Dennis Kelley,	Charles L. Ellis,
	Eugene J. Carter,	Joseph J. Giles,
	Patrick J. Garvin	

Rules suspended and appointments confirmed.

Appointments — His Honor the Mayor made appointments as follows subject to confirmation by the board.—

Special Police without compensation.

William Armstrong,	Wilbur A. Hazen,	Peter Savage,
Charles H. Atwood,	Alfred A. Higgins,	Peter J. Savage,
Nathaniel C. Barker,	George H. Holden,	Mike P. Shattuck,
Henry S. Braden,	Frank C. Hopkins,	Bernard F. Sheridan,
John L. Brennan,	James A. Hopkins,	Alfred M. Sibley,
Davis P. Buckman,	Joseph M. Howe,	Wm. H. Smith,
William E. Buckman,	William H. Kelley,	Lemuel H. Snow,
Roy C. Burcker,	Lemuel H. Knowles,	Charles A. Southwick,
Frederick A. Burt,	Thomas F. Lacky, Ira Francis LeGrow,	Daniel R. Spike,
William Butler,	William M. Lennan,	Samuel H. Stevens,
Alfred Clark,	Nicholas Leonard,	Asbury Strahan,
Cyrus D. Clark,	Augustus A. Lewis,	Homer A. Streeter,
Andrew B. Colesworthy,	George H. Littlefield,	Lewis A. Stuart,
E. Parker Cook,	Charles A. McDonald,	Thomas H. Sutherland,
George H. Coombs,	Albert A. Marshall,	Wm. H. Symonds,
John H. Cuddy,	David G. Marston,	S. Arthur Thompson,
David Cutter,	Lambert A. Maynard,	J. Edgar Thompson,
Frederick A. Cutter,	John J. McGonagle,	Alonzo H. Trafton,
Thomas H. Daley,	Daniel Joseph McIsaac,	Louis B. Tucker,
Michael F. Davis,	Wesley L. Merrill,	Albion H. Waining,
Gideon B. Dean,	William Meyer,	George K. Walcott,
George H. Dearborn,	John F. Murray,	John H. Walker,
Nathaniel Dennett,	John F. O'Brien,	Frederick H. Walsh, Jr.

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Frederick S. Dickinson	Caleb A. Page	Harry A. Gaugh
James F. Dolliver	Edward A. Parker	Charles G. Gaston
Jerome P. Donovan	Nathan L. Reynolds	James L. Whitaker
Reuben Doucette	Edward T. Peterson	Clifford F. White
Adelbert Doty	Joseph S. Pike	John A. Whitney
John H. Quasrault	Luther B. Pillsbury	William B. Williams
Nicholas Dwyer	Charles H. Pratt	Irvin E. Wilson
Albert Fisk	John P. Pritchard	Fred S. Young
Michael J. Fitzpatrick	Philip Quinlan	Joseph Young
Philip J. Fitzpatrick	Edward F. Reed	William H. Young
Ripley C. Gilman	Jacob G. Reed	
Andrew Gilkey	Edward H. Ring	
Jabez A. Gott	Daniel H. Rinn	
Charles E. Gould	David Russell	
George H. Griffin	Charles F. Sargent	
Emory S. Harndon		
Sidney E. Hayden		

Rules suspended and appointments confirmed.

Received reports for the month of December 1897, of the Chief of Police and Superintendent of Electric Lines. Placed on file. — Reports ✓

Received annual reports for the year 1897 from the Superintendent of Electric Lines, Superintendent of Lights, Sealer of Weights and Measures. Referred to Committee on Printing to be printed in the annual reports. Sent down for concurrence. In Common Council, Jan. 12, References concurred in. — Annual Reports ✓

Received a petition from the members of the Somerville Mystic Water Board, that petition be made to the Legislature for the changing of the name of that board from Somerville Mystic Water Board to Board of Water Commissioners of the City of Somerville; the present — Petition ✓

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name of the board being now inappropriate because of the recent adoption of a new water supply

Read and sent down for information

In Common Council, Jan. 12. Read for information

√ Report

Received the following report from the City Solicitor,-

The Honorable the City Council of the City of Somerville,

Gentlemen,--

At the request of last year's City Council, I make you the following report upon the legality of the order dated December 29, 1897, relating to fast driving on Broadway

The ordinance mentioned in the order is based upon Chap. 53, Sec. 13 of the Public Statutes, which reads "A city ..... may by ordinance ..... prohibit ..... riding or driving ..... upon any of the streets ..... therein at a rate of speed which it deems inconsistent with the public safety or convenience ....." The provision in the ordinance for excepting streets or parts of streets during such periods as may be designated by the City Council seems to be valid according to the decisions of our Supreme Court in similar cases.

I think, therefore, that the order is legal.

Very respectfully,

Frank H. Kenn,

City Solicitor

See Quincy v. Kennard, 151 Mass. 563 - Keeping swine (1890)

Com. v. Parks, 155 Mass. 531 - Blasting rock (Somerville) (1892)

Com. v. Ellis, 158 Mass. 555 - Selling goods on the streets (1893)

Com. v. Davis, 162 Mass. 510 - Speaking on public grounds (1895)

Read and sent down for information

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√ Communication

Received a communication from the city clerk as to the desirability of providing a card-index to the records of births, marriages and deaths.

Referred to Committee on Public Property and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council Jan. 12, Reference concurred in.

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Received the following communication from the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture, — Communication ✓

To the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville,

Gentlemen, —

In endeavoring to fulfill the duty of the Board of Agriculture as prescribed by Chapter 516 of the Acts of 1897, I wrote you under date of July 12 last calling your attention to the presence of the Brown-tail Moth in your city and also sent you by express 200 copies of a bulletin of information containing directions for destroying the creature and stating that the Board would supply additional copies on application. Since that time we have fallen from the true this Board has had a portion of the territory of your city inspected and has found 1411 estates infested. I sent you herewith list of owners or occupants with street and number of such estates. Wherever "Street trees" occurs in the list of estates on any street it indicates that street trees are infested. Where a number appears in the list with no name before it it is a vacant lot, or the house was unoccupied or occupant could not be found. Our inspector gave written notice of the presence of the Brown-tail Moth on the premises to parties occupying the infested estates enumerated in the enclosed list where the parties could be found, and also left with them a copy of the Bulletin above referred to.

I have to inform you that this inspection has covered only a part of your city because of the lack of funds to pay the expense, the Legislature not having appropriated money for the purpose. I must however inform you that from the observation of our inspector it is quite certain that most of the territory of your city including the street trees is more or less infested.

Respectfully,

Wm. R. Sessions

Secretary

Placed on file.

Received a petition from Patrick J. Gavin, for appointment as a constable. Petition ✓

Placed on file.

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√ Petition

Received a petition from Ralph A. Brooks, for appointment as a weigher of hay and straw.

Referred to the Mayor.

√ Petitions

Received petitions, each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors:—

Charles L. Abbott,	Robert Doherty,	Roy H. Hetherington,
Blake Atkinson,	A. Oscar Engstrom,	William G. Hetherington,
John A. Atkinson,	Oliver G. Fosdick Jr.,	David Hickey,
James C. Ball,	Grover C. Gammon,	Vernon A. Knight,
John A. Barton,	Edward Garbati,	John C. McGonagle,
Henry A. Binney Jr.,	Clifford T. Gordon,	Walter Morrison,
Joseph Borges,	Elbridge W. Gordon,	William G. Morrison,
James Carney,	Joseph G. Haney,	Ernest Sampson,
Harry E. Cook,	Corey J. Hetherington,	Thomas Silva,

Augustus B. Tripp, and George C. Whelpley;

all approved by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from:—

George F. Hummerwell for a license as a common victualler, on land at westerly corner of Pearl and Bradley streets;

Thomas Joyce, for a license as a common victualler at #270 Elm street;

F. Alston Gibbs, for a license as a private detective.

Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from:—

A. F. Babb & Son for permission to display, between the hours of seven A.M. and six P.M., a folding sign-board, two feet wide and about three feet high on the vacant space between the brick sidewalk and the curb stone in front of #322 Broadway;

Patrick F. Kiernan for a permit to place signs on the building #72 Union square, one to project about two feet over the sidewalk on Washington street, and the other about two feet over the sidewalk on Somerville avenue, at a height of about

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twelve feet from the ground;

Lydia J. Church and others, for a brick sidewalk on the northeasterly side of Robinson street, between Central and Bartlett streets;

William C. Conant and others for a brick sidewalk with edgestones on the southwesterly side of Monmouth street from Central street to the northwesterly side line of the estate of Mrs. Amelia Wetherbee;

Walter G. Kratzer and others for a brick sidewalk with edgestones on the southwesterly side of Summer street from Craigie street to the present brick sidewalk near to and southeast of Cedar street;

Edward F. Stone and others for brick sidewalks in Wellington avenue;

Referred to Committee on Highways.

Received a petition from Samuel S. Kello and others, that Charnwood Road, from Willow avenue to Gordonia Road, be graded and laid out as a public way. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council Jan 12, Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from B. S. Willow and others, for an arc light on Charnwood Road. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan 12, Reference concurred in.

Received from the Common Council a petition from A. D. Simpson and others for a light at the head of Lesley avenue. — Petition ✓

In Common Council, Jan 12, Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, Jan 12, Reference concurred in.

Received from the Common Council a communication from William A. Cherrington, calling attention to the fact that the gates of the fence around Hyatt Pit are constantly left open and that — Communication ✓

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the safety of the public is thereby endangered.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 12, Reference concurred in.

√ Notices of Suits at Law

Received notices to appear before the Superior Court at Cambridge on the first Monday of February next, and show cause if any there be why the following-named petitions should not be granted,—

of Franklin O. Reed, for an abatement of the tax for the year 1897 upon a parcel of land bounded northeasterly by Middlesex avenue, southwesterly by Mystic avenue, and westerly by the parkway so-called, being a triangular parcel, containing about 436696 square feet of land and having a stable thereon;

of Franklin O. Reed, Charles D. Sawin, Caroline E. Sawin, and Franklin O. Reed, trustee of the estate of Josiah T. Reed,—for an abatement of the taxes for the year 1897, upon a parcel of land with a building thereon, bounded southwesterly by Mystic avenue, southeasterly by land now or late of F. L. Ames and others, northeasterly and northwesterly by the Mystic River and by land now or late of the devisees of J. T. Reed and S. D. Sawin, excepting therefrom portions which have been conveyed. Also for an abatement of the taxes for the same year upon a parcel of land bounded southerly by Mystic avenue, easterly by the parcel first described, northerly by said parcel first described, northwesterly by the Mystic river and westerly by land now or late of Lena Shute and Amanda Porter, containing 20,550 square feet of land.

Placed in hands of City Solicitor and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 12, Placed in hands of City Solicitor in concurrence.

√ Official Bond

Received the official bond of the City Clerk, in the sum of two thousand dollars, and in form approved by the city solicitor, with Joseph H. Clark and Walter C. Kentzer, both of Somerville, as sureties.

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Approved and accepted, and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Jan. 12, Approved and accepted in concurrence.

Received the official bond of the Treasurer and Collector of Taxes, in the sum of forty thousand dollars, and in form approved by the City Solicitor, with Edwin S. Conant, Edward Glines, George A. Bruce, Elijah G. Clark, Charles S. Lincoln, William Taylor, Charles Williams Jr. and Jazaniah Gross, as sureties, each in the sum of five thousand dollars. — Official Bond ✓

Approved and accepted, and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Jan. 12, Approved and accepted in concurrence.

Received constables' bonds, each in the sum of three thousand dollars, and in form approved by the City Solicitor, from:- — Constables' Bonds ✓

Charles L. Ellis, with Robert F. Fuller, Howard Lowell and Albion M. Prescott, as sureties;
Patrick J. Garvin, with John H. Pence and Ellen Garvin, both of Cambridge, as sureties;
Joseph J. Giles, with Philip Ebeele and Albion M. Prescott, as sureties;
William D. Hayden, with Joseph D. Hayden and Lyman H. Brown, as sureties;
Jairus Mann, with Jackson Caldwell and Frank D. Lapham, as sureties;

Approved and accepted.

Alderman Tarbox offered the following order:- — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That upon any petition for a license for a theatrical exhibition, public show, public amusement, or exhibition of any description, to be held before the then next succeeding meeting of this board, if the granting of such petition has by the chief of police, the city clerk may, with the approval of the mayor, issue such license, the petition therefor to be presented to this board at its next succeeding meeting for ratification or such other action in the premises as the board shall deem proper.

Adopted.

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√ Order

Alderman Ball offered the following order:-

Ordered:-

That the Chief of Police be and he hereby is directed to cause to be delivered, by the police patrolmen, to the several persons named or the occupants of the premises referred to in the list, received from the State Board of Agriculture, and laid before this board this evening, of owners or managers of premises in Somerville infested by the Brown Tail Moth, and to all other owners and managers of premises infested by said Moth, - notice as follows:-

City of Somerville

January 12, 1898.

Dear Sir:-

You are hereby notified that the pest known as the Brown Tail Moth has been found on the premises under your management, and your attention is called to the law, chapter 516, Acts of 1897, making it your duty to exert yourself persistently to confine and suppress it.

In the winter months the caterpillars of the moth are found on trees in whitish tents or webs at the tips of the branches. These tents should be cut off, carefully gathered, and burned at once.

For neglect or refusal to comply with the above-mentioned Act you are liable to be fined one dollar for every day of such neglect, or confined in jail not more than five days nor less than one day, or suffer both penalties in the discretion of the court.

By order of the Mayor and Aldermen,

Attest,

George I. Vincent,

City Clerk.

And the Chief of Police is further directed to exercise due diligence, by himself and his subordinates, in enforcing the penalties provided for failure by such owners or managers of premises to comply with the requirements of law in regard to the confining and suppressing of the Brown Tail Moth.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Jan 13, 1898.

Wednesday, January 12, 1898.

Alderman Huntley offered the following order,— | Order ✓

Ordered:— | portion of Broadway be set apart for a speedway.

That under the provisions of Chapter thirty-one of the Revised Ordinances of 1891, that portion of the roadway of Broadway which lies on the northwesterly side of the street railway and extends from Cross street to Marshall street, be and hereby is designated as a section of street in which the provisions of said ordinance prohibiting the driving or riding or permitting a horse or other beast of burden to go at a greater rate of speed than ten miles an hour, shall not be operative in so far as it relates to riding or driving or to a horse or other beast of burden travelling in a northwesterly direction, during the following period of time, namely:— between the hours of one and five o'clock in the afternoon of every day except Sundays, during the period beginning January 13, 1898 and ending April 1, 1898.

Read twice and adopted.

Presented to the Mayor Jan 13, 1898.

Alderman Cummings offered the following order,— | Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the report of the joint special committee of the year 1897 upon the matter of a readjustment of the boundary line between Somerville and Cambridge be and it hereby is referred to the Committee on Legislative matters; ✓

that the report of the joint special committee of the year 1897 upon the question of the expediency of constructing a boulevard from Broadway near the Nathan Tufts Park to the Medford line, for the purpose of connecting with the boulevard already constructed on the easterly shore of Mystic Lake, be and it hereby is referred to the Committee on Public Grounds; ✓

and that all other unfinished business of the last city government be and it hereby is referred to the appropriate committee. ✓

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan 12. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Jan 13, 1898.

Alderman Ball offered the following order,— | Order ✓

Wednesday, January 12, 1898

Ordered:—

That the recommendation contained in his Honor the Mayor's inaugural address, that the city ordinances be so changed as to provide for the retirement of all members of the police department who are appointed who shall generally attain the age of sixty-five years, be and it hereby is referred to the Committee on Police.

Adopted.

✓ Order

Alderman Lamont offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That the several suggestions in relation to sewers and storm water drains, contained in his Honor the Mayor's inaugural address, be and they hereby are referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Adopted.

✓ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That the several recommendations in relation to Highways, contained in his Honor the Mayor's inaugural address, to wit,—

1 – that a steam road-roller be purchased to take the place of the old one, which was sold last year;

2 – that Highland avenue be thoroughly macadamized and surfaced throughout its entire length;

3 – that the granite paving in Lowell avenue be extended westwardly from the point where it now ends at West street, so far as the appropriation for the purpose will permit;

4 – that Washington street from Tufts street to the Boston line, and Walter avenue throughout its entire length be put in good repair;

be and the same are hereby referred to the Committee on Highways.

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 12, Adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 12, 1898.

✓ Order

Alderman Cummings offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

Wednesday, January 12, 1895.

That those portions of his Honor the Mayor's inaugural address which relate to the following subjects, namely, —

1. — the establishment of an almshouse;
2. — the providing of suitable accommodations for our local militia company;
3. — the building of a portico on the front of the City Hall, and the placing of a movable partition between the two council chambers in the same building;
4. — the providing of additional school accommodations in the Prescott District, and the West Somerville district;
5. — the perfecting of the heating and ventilating system of the Prescott school;

be and the same are hereby referred to the committee on Public Property.

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 12, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor Jan. 13, 1895.

Alderman Ball offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered: —

That the several suggestions and recommendations contained in his Honor the Mayor's inaugural address relating to the following subjects, namely, —

1. — the improvement of the tract of land comprising the Hyatt pit and the Lambert Field so called, in Ward Two, and the naming of the same;
2. — the laying out of the banks of the Mystic river, as a parkway;
3. — the extension of the Tufts boulevard from Mystic avenue to Broadway;
4. — the extension of the Mystic Valley Parkway to Powder-house square;
5. — the erection of a soldiers' Monument on Central Hill;

be and the same are hereby referred to the Committee on Public Grounds.

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 12, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 13 1895.

Alderman Huntley offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered: —

Wednesday, January 12, 1898.

That the various recommendations and suggestions contained in his Honor the Mayor's inaugural address, in relation to the Fire Department, upon the following subjects, namely, –

1 – the erection of a fire department station upon the lot at the junction of Holland and Newbury streets, which has been purchased for the purpose,

2 – the placing of a new hose-wagon in Station No. 4, and the transferring of the chemical engine and hose-reel now kept in said station to the house of Ladder Company No. 2,

3 – the advisability of passing more stringent building laws with special reference to protection against fire,

be and they hereby are referred to the Committee on Fire Department.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 12. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 13, 1898.

√ Order

Alderman Elmer offered the following order, –

Ordered: –

That those portions of his Honor the Mayor's inaugural address relating to the subject of taxation and to the desirability of a change in the laws relating to the establishment and maintenance of armories, and drill-rooms, be and they hereby are referred to the Committee on Legislative Matters.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 12. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 13, 1898.

√ Order

Alderman Tarbox offered the following order, –

Ordered: –

That in pursuance of the recommendation contained in his Honor the Mayor's inaugural address, the committee on ordinances be and hereby is instructed to confer with the water board and the city solicitor and to draft, and report such amendments to existing ordinances as shall bring them into harmony with the changed conditions caused by the adoption of a new water supply system.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council Jan 12. Adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, Jan 10, 1898.

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order.— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That his Honor the Mayor be, and he hereby is, requested to petition the General Court, for and in behalf of the city council, that the name of the water board of this city may be changed from Somerville Mystic Water Board to Board of Water Commissioners of the City of Somerville.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Jan 12. Adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, Jan 12, 1898.

Alderman Darlin offered the following orders.— Orders ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Printing be, and it hereby is instructed to have printed for public use twelve hundred copies of the address delivered by his Honor the Mayor, at the inauguration of the present City Government, the expense so incurred to be charged to Printing and Stationery Account.

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Printing be, and it hereby is instructed to have printed for the use of the City Government seven hundred copies of a pocket register, to contain lists of members of the City Council, and of the various committees, boards and officers of the city, the joint rules and orders of the City Council, the rules and orders of the Board of Aldermen, and the rules and orders of the Common Council, also a list of the fire-alarm boxes, and a list of all the fire stations, their location, number of men employed, and an enumeration of the apparatus housed therein, and a calendar for the year 1898; the expense so incurred to be charged to Printing and Stationery Account.

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Jan 12. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

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Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 13, 1898

✓ Order

Alderman Quelen offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Printing be, and it hereby is, instructed to solicit proposals to print fourteen hundred copies of the Annual Reports of the City for the year 1897 in form, and smaller similar to the year 1896, eleven hundred copies to be bound in paper, two hundred and fifty copies to be bound in cloth, and sixty copies for presentation to other cities and towns, in full manner, the proposals to be as much per page, also additional copies of certain reports as hereinafter stated, at prices based on the same reports for the year 1896, with a pro rata increase or decrease according as these reports for the year 1897 shall contain more or less pages than for the year 1896, viz:—

200 copies of the report of the Board of Health,
350 " " City Engineer,
300 " " Overseers of the Poor (with city physician's report),
500 " " School Board,
1000 " " Trustees of the Public Library,
150 " " Water Board;

also for separate bids for the printing of three hundred copies each, bound in cloth, of the annual reports for the years 1872, 1873, and 1874.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council Jan. 12, Adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor, Jan 13, 1898

✓ Order

Alderman Quelen offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That the committee on printing be, and hereby is, instructed to have printed, in the form of a pocket pamphlet, fifteen hundred copies of the revised ordinances of the city which relate to the construction of buildings, omitting, so far as practicable, those parts that have been repealed, and inserting suitable explanatory notes; the expense incurred to be charged to Printing and Stationery Account.

And twice and action postponed until the next meeting.

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Alderman Huntley offered the following order.—	Order ✓
Ordered:—	
That the regular meetings of this board be held on the second, third and fourth Wednesdays of each month, at eight o'clock in the evening, until otherwise ordered.	
Adopted.	
Alderman Tarbox offered an ordinance entitled "An ordinance in relation to Underground Streets and Passageways or Subways".	Ordinance ✓
Read twice and passed to be enrolled. Sent down for concurrence.	
Alderman Lapham offered the following order.—	Order ✓
Ordered:—	
That a message be sent to the common council, requesting a convention of the two branches of the city council, in the common council chamber this evening, for the purpose of electing a superintendent of streets for one year, a city physician for one year, and three trustees of the Public Library for three years.	
Adopted, and Alderman Lapham appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council.	
In Common Council, Jan. 12, Request granted and Councilman Perry appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.	
In Convention of the City Council	Convention
His Honor, Mayor Perry, presiding.	
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Dawlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball, President Wilson and Councilmen Osborne, Kenney, Smith, Cushman, Grimmons, Thomson, Burns, Burrows, Gracey, Story, Crocker, Perry, Lord, Kinal and Foster present.	
In pursuance of an order adopted this evening, the convention proceeded to ballot for a superintendent of streets.	Election ✓
Alderman Huntley and Councilmen Lord and Grimmons	

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were appointed a committee to receive and assort and count the ballots, and after attending to their duty they reported as follows.-

Whole Number of Ballots 24
Necessary for choice 13
John P. Prichard has 15
Thomas H. Eames " 9

and John P. Prichard was declared by the chair elected.

√ Election

In pursuance of the same order the convention proceeded to ballot for a city physician.

First Ballot

Committee appointed to receive, assort and count votes, Alderman Lapham and Councilmen Kenney and Foster.

The committee reported as follows.-

Whole number of ballots 24
Necessary for choice 13
Edwin H. Codding has 1
E. J. Howland " 1
G. E. Hetherington " 3
John B. Curtis " 4
Wm F. Holmes " 7
Frank L. Rose " 8

and there was no choice.

Second Ballot

Committee appointed to receive, assort and count votes, Alderman Orolin and Councilmen Story and Thomson.

The committee reported as follows.-

Whole Number of Ballots 24
Necessary for choice 13
Frank L. Rose has 11
Wm F. Holmes " 8
Edwin H. Codding " 2
G. E. Hetherington " 2
Dr Cutter " 1

and there was no choice.

Third Ballot

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Committee appointed to receive, assort and count votes, Alderman Tarbox and Councilmen Osborne and Crocker

The committee reported as follows:-

Whole Number of Ballots 24
Necessary for choice 13
Wm. T. Holmes has 12
Frank L. Kerr " 9
G. E. Kettlington " 2
Edwin H. Codding " 1

and there were no choice. Fourth Ballot

Committee appointed to receive, assort and count votes, Alderman Lamont and Councilmen Cushman and Gracey.

The committee reported as follows:-

Whole number of ballots 24
Necessary for choice 13
Wm. T. Holmes has 15
Frank L. Kerr " 7
John B. Curtis " 1
Edwin H. Codding " 1

and William T. Holmes was declared by the chair elected.

In pursuance of the same order, the committee proceeded to ballot for three trustees of the public library for three years. Election ✓

Alderman Kilmer and Councilmen Burrows and Kinal were appointed a committee to receive, assort and count the votes, and having attended to that duty, reported as follows:-

Whole Number of Ballots 24
Necessary for choice ..... ~~13~~
Chas. A. West has 23
Geo. W. Perkins " 21
Edwin C. Booth " 15
J. Henry Flitner " 13

and Charles A. West, George W. Perkins and Edwin C. Booth were declared by the chair elected.

The purposes for which it was assembled having been accomplished Convention dissolved.

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the convention was dissolved, and the Mayor and Aldermen returned to their chamber

Board of Aldermen

In Board of Aldermen

Lis Horne, Mayor Perry, presiding

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tabor, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present

√ Election

On motion of Alderman Lapham, the board proceeded to ballot for an assessor of taxes for three years.

The chair appointed, as a committee to receive, assort and count the votes, Aldermen Lapham and Ball, and after attending to that duty, they reported as follows:-

Whole number of ballots 8
Necessary for choice 5
Samuel T. Richards has 3
Harry A. True " 5

and Harry A. True was declared by the chair, elected on the part of this board, and notice of such election was sent to the Common Council.

Received from the Common Council notice of the election, in concurrence with this board, of Harry A. True as Assessor of Taxes for three years.

√ Election

On motion of Alderman Huntley, it was voted to proceed to ballot for an assistant assessor of taxes from Ward one.

Aldermen Huntley and Kilmer were appointed a committee to receive, assort and count the votes, and after attending to that duty, they reported as follows:-

Whole number of ballots 8
Necessary for choice 5
Fred B. Clapp has 8

and Fred B. Clapp was declared by the chair, elected on the part of this board, and information of such election was sent to the Common Council.

Received from the Common Council, notice of the election of Fred B. Clapp as assistant assessor of taxes from Ward one, in concurrence with this board.

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On motion of Alderman Farley, it was voted to proceed to ballot for an assistant assessor of taxes from Ward two. — Election ✓

Aldermen Farley and Cunningham were appointed a committee to receive, assort and count the votes, and having attended to that duty, they reported as follows, —

Whole number of ballots — 5

Necessary for choice — 5

Charles B. Farrington has — 5

and Charles B. Farrington was declared by the chair elected, on the part of this board, assistant assessor of taxes from Ward two, and information of such election was sent to the Common Council.

Received from the Common Council notice of the election of Charles B. Farrington as assistant assessor of taxes from Ward two, in conformity with this board.

On motion of Alderman Lemont, it was voted to proceed to ballot for an assistant assessor of taxes from Ward three. — Election ✓

Aldermen Lemont and Ball were appointed a committee to receive, assort and count the votes, and having attended to that duty, they reported as follows, —

Whole number of ballots — 5

Necessary for choice — 5

Edgar S. Kayhow has — 5

and Edgar S. Kayhow was declared by the chair elected, on the part of this board, and information of such election was sent to the Common Council.

Received from the Common Council notice of the election of Edgar S. Kayhow as assistant assessor of taxes from Ward Three, in conformity with this board.

On motion of Alderman Ball, the board proceeded to ballot for an assistant assessor of taxes from Ward four. — Election ✓

Aldermen Ball and Kayhow were appointed a committee to receive, assort and count the votes, and having attended to that duty, they reported as follows, —

Whole number of ballots — 5

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Necessary for choice - - - - - 5
Frank A. Teele has 8

and Frank A. Teele was declared by the chair, elected on the part of this board, and information of such election was sent to the Common Council.

Received from the Common Council, notice of the election of Frank A. Teele, as assistant assessor of taxes from Ward four, in concurrence with this board.

√ Election

On motion of Alderman Huntley, the board proceeded to ballot for a city solicitor.

Aldermen Huntley and Dawlin were appointed a committee to receive, assort and count votes, and having attended to that duty, they reported as follows,—

Whole number of ballots - - - - 8
Necessary for choice - - - - - 5
Frank H. Kean has 8

and Frank H. Kean was declared by the chair, elected on the part of this board, and information of such election was sent to the Common Council.

Received from the Common Council, notice of the election of Frank H. Kean as city solicitor, in concurrence with this board.

√ Election

On motion of Alderman Lapham, the board proceeded to ballot for a city auditor.

Alderman Lapham and Cummings were appointed a committee to receive, assort and count the votes, and after attending to that duty, they reported as follows,—

Whole number of ballots - - - - 8
Necessary for choice - - - - - 5
Chas. S. Robertson has 8

and Charles S. Robertson was declared by the chair, elected on the part of this board, and information of such election was sent to the Common Council.

Received from the Common Council, notice of the election of Charles S. Robertson, as city auditor, in concurrence with this board.

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On motion of Alderman Talbot, it was voted to proceed to ballot for two fence viewers.

Aldermen Talbot and Ball were appointed a committee to receive, assort and count the votes, and having attended to that duty they reported as follows, –

Whole number of ballots 8
Necessary for choice 5
Lambert H. Hayward has 7
Charles A. Berry " 5

and Lambert H. Hayward and Charles A. Berry were declared by the chair elected on the part of this board, and information of such election was sent to the Common Council.

Received from the Common Council notice of the election of Lambert H. Hayward and Charles A. Berry as fence viewers, in concurrence with this board.

Election ✓

On motion of Alderman Lapham, it was voted to proceed to ballot for a measurer of wood and bark.

Aldermen Lapham and Kilburn were appointed a committee to receive, assort and count the votes, and, after attending to that duty, they reported as follows, –

Whole number of ballots 8
Necessary for choice 5
Samuel T. Littlefield has 8

and Samuel T. Littlefield was declared by the chair elected on the part of this board, and information of such election was sent to the Common Council.

Received from the Common Council notice of the election of Samuel T. Littlefield, as a measurer of wood and bark, in concurrence with this board.

Election ✓

Alderman Ball offered the following order, –

Ordered: –

That so much of the communication received from His Honor, the Mayor this evening, as relates to the subject of a park on Prospect Hill be, and it hereby is referred to the Committee on

Order ✓

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Public Grounds

Adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council Jan 12, Adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor, Jan 13, 1898.

√ Order

Alderman Daolin offered the following order:-

Ordered:-

That so much of the communication received from His Honor the Mayor this evening, as relates to the subject of the use of Welsbach lights in the streets be and it hereby is referred to the Committee on Fuel & Street Lights

Adopted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council Jan 12, Adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor Jan 13, 1898

√ Vote

On motion of Alderman Laphans, it was voted that the president of the board be a committee on the part of the board to provide lunches when deemed advisable.

√ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order:-

In Common Council, January 12, 1898

Ordered:-

That a committee be appointed to consider the advisability of revising our city charter, and to report to the city council not later than January 26, 1898.

That the said committee consist of His Honor the Mayor, two aldermen, the president of the common council and three common councilmen.

(signed) Isaac M. Story

In Common Council Jan 12, Adopted and Councilmen Story, Kenney and Cushman appointed on the part of this branch. Sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, Jan 12, Adoption lost.

√ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order:-

In Common Council, January 12, 1898

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Ordered:-

That the President of this Council be, and he hereby is, instructed in conjunction with the President of the Board of Aldermen, to furnish a lunch when deemed advisable, the expense so incurred to be charged to Miscellaneous Account.

(signed) Frank B. Burrows

In Common Council, Jan. 12. Read twice, and adopted and put up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, Jan. 12, Read twice, and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 18, 1895.

Adjourned. Adjournment

Attest,

George A. Vincent
Clerk

Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen called by the Mayor to take action upon the death of ex-Mayor Mark F. Burns, and to transact any other business that might fitfully come before the board, - all the members of the board having been duly notified in writing.

City Hall, Somerville, January 15, 1895 - 7 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Curry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Bell present.

√ Order

Aldermen Kilmer offered the following order -

Ordered: -

That a message be sent to the common council requesting a convention of the two branches of the city council in the common council chamber this evening for the purpose of taking appropriate action upon the death of Honorable Mark F. Burns, ex-Mayor of the city.

Adopted and Aldermen Kilmer appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council.

In Common Council, Jan 15, Request granted and Councilman Grimmons appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.

Convention

In Convention of the City Council.

His Honor, Mayor Curry, presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Dodge, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Bell, President Nelson and Councilmen Osborn, Smith, Grimmons, Thomson, Gracey, Gordon, Guy, Lord, Kimball and Foster present.

√ Announcement by Mayor of death of

His Honor the Mayor announced, with appropriate remarks the death of Honorable Mark F. Burns, ex-Mayor of the city, which occurred at the residence of relatives in the town of Winchester, Sunday

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the 16th inst., at about half past one o'clock in the afternoon		ex-Mayor Burns
The Mayor stated that the funeral would take place on Wednesday the 19th instant, at two o'clock in the afternoon, at the Franklin Street Congregational church. He stated he had directed the closing of the public schools, the City Hall and the Public Library, on the afternoon of the funeral, as a mark of respect to the deceased, and to enable the teachers and City Officers to attend; the flags on the public schools, and other public buildings, and on the public grounds to be displayed at half mast during the entire day, and the flag on the Burns school to be appropriately draped; minute bells to be rung during the passage of the funeral cortege from the house to the church, and again from the church to the city limits, and a suitable detail of police to be assigned for duty at the church; also that he had issued invitations to the four ex-mayors and the past members of the city government, and of the various boards of the city, and to the heads and present city officers, to meet the members of the City Government at the vestry of the church at a quarter before two o'clock, for the purpose of attending the services		
Alderman Lapham offered the following order:-		Order ✓
Ordered:-		
That a committee to consist of two members of the board of aldermen and three members of the common council be appointed by the chair to prepare and report to the convention suitable resolutions upon the death of ex-Mayor Burns.		
Adopted, and Aldermen Lapham and Ball and Councilmen Spacey, Osborne and Bury, appointed as the committee.		
Alderman Huntley offered the following order:-		Order ✓
Ordered:-		
That a committee to consist of two members of the board of aldermen and three members of the common council be appointed by the chair to render all necessary arrangements for the attending, by the City Government, of the funeral of ex-Mayor Burns, and to provide a suitable floral tribute, the expense to be charged to Miscellaneous account.		

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Read twice and adopted, and Aldermen Hartley and Lamont, and Councilmen Smith, Simmons and Thomas, appointed as the committee

✓ Order

Aldermen Lamont offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That the portrait of ex-Mayor Mark T. Burns which hangs in the Mayor and Aldermen's room in the City Hall be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days, as a tribute for his memory

Read twice and adopted

✓ Report of Committee Resolutions on death of Ex-Mayor Burns

The committee appointed this morning to draft and report resolutions upon the death of ex-Mayor Burns reported the following,—

The City Council of Somerville convened in special session, place this memorial upon its records as a fitting tribute to the memory of the Hon. Mark T. Burns, Ex-Mayor of the City

The announcement of his death came to our citizens not entirely as a surprise, for the knowledge of a long and painful sickness had, in a measure, prepared us to expect a fatal termination

This in a way lessened the shock, but not the loss

Mark T. Burns, though not born upon our soil, passed the whole of his mature life among us. We knew him as neighbor, friend, citizen and public servant. Commencing his public career in the Common Council, passing hence to the Board of Aldermen, he was thereafter elected to the office of Mayor, a position which he held continuously for four terms

In every position in life, as friend, neighbor, citizen or public magistrate, Mark T. Burns was a man of note. It is difficult to say where he was greatest. He was always alike sincere, honest, strong of mind, and stout of heart. Kindly, helpful, with a clear, reflecting and inquiring mind, he passed through life performing every duty as it came up to a standard which is the highest. He felt that life had been given to him as a trust, not for selfish aims, but for high and lofty purposes. He had ambitions, nobly so. He loved to serve the public, not for personal applause and glory, but for the general good. Like all strong men he was not unconscious of his power, but he was never known to boast

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of them.

It can truthfully be said of him, that he never performed an act, public or private, that he did not believe to be right.

His actions and judgments were the result of thorough investigation and careful thought. When his opinions were thus formed, he held to them with a firmness that was immovable. Personal appeals he quietly and patiently listened to, but never yielded to them when, in his own view, they were in conflict with his sense of duty.

And yet this man never had a personal enemy, and all who knew him were his friends.

As he moved on in life, from private to public stations, his personal influence kept pace with his advancement, growing year by year, until he had become a great factor in our city.

What Mark F. Burns thought upon any public question was always a matter of interest, passed from mind to mind through our community, and was often determinate of its issue.

His death leaves a great void in our midst.

The City of Somerville but feebly expresses in these words of tribute its sense of the loss which it suffers, in the death of this wise man, great citizen, and worthy magistrate.

It extends to the members of his family the deep sympathy of all its citizens in this the hour of their bereavement.

F. De Witt Lapham
John A. Ball
Orice M. Gracey
Arthur D. Osborne
Arthur H. Berry
} Committee of the City Council

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Adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

On motion of Alderman Dawlin, it was voted that the resolutions be printed in the local papers and that a copy be sent to the family of the deceased.

Vote ✓ resolutions be printed and copy sent to family

The purpose for which it was assembled having been accomplished, the convention was dissolved, and the Mayor and Alder

Convention dissolved

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men returned to their chambers

Board of Aldermen

In Board of Aldermen

Hon. Mayor Perry, presiding

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbot, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Balbi present

Adjournment

Adjourned

Attest

George S. Vincent

Clerk

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Somerville, January 19 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Dawlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved.

Received the following communication from His Honor the Mayor — Communication from Mayor

City of Somerville, Mass.
Mayor's Office
Jan 13th, 1898.

To the City Council of Somerville,—

I was instructed by an order of last year's City Council, adopted at its last meeting, "to confer with the proper officers of the West End Street Railroad Company to ascertain if the tracks of said Company from Spring Hill to Wesley Square on Summer Street cannot be put into proper condition."

In compliance with the order, on the eighth day of January I addressed a communication to the President of the West End Street Railway Company, calling attention to the condition of the Summer street tracks and requesting that the matter might receive early attention. I have this day received an answer from the Vice-President of the Boston Elevated Railroad Company, a copy of which is hereto annexed. There seems to be nothing further that I can do in the premises at present, and I await further instructions from the City Council.

Respectfully,
Albion A. Perry,
Mayor

(Copy of Letter)
Boston Elevated Railway Company
81 Mills Street
Boston, Mass., Jan 12th, 1898

Hon. Albion A. Perry,

Wednesday, January 19, 1898.

Mayor of Somerville

Dear Mr. Mayor:-

Your communication to the President of the West End Street Railway Company with enclosure of copy of order of the City Council has been transmitted to the Boston Elevated Railway Company which is now operating the properties of the West End Street Railway Company.

At this time of year it is difficult to make thorough repairs or to lay a new track. Such repairs as can be made at this time of year will be made so as to improve these tracks. If practicable, at this is one of the places where a double track would better serve the public than the single track now laid on that street. It may be that with a view to the construction of a double track the present track has been allowed to remain.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) Wm. H. Bancroft
Vice-President.

Read and sent down for information.
In Common Council, Jan. 20, Read for information.

√ Communication from Mayor.

Received the following communication from His Honor the Mayor,-

City of Somerville, Mass.
Mayor's Office
Jan. 19th, 1898.

To the Board of Aldermen,
Gentlemen:-

Herewith, with my objections, an order which originated in your Honorable Board, and was adopted by the City Council on the 10th day of the present month. This order undertakes to set apart a portion of Broadway as a speedway, and to authorize the driving of horses over the designated course at an unrestricted rate of speed.

The order in question was adopted in response to a petition which was signed by many of our citizens. The number of signers, as well as their high standing in the community, makes the petition deserving of careful consideration. They are not men who would be likely

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to abuse a special privilege accorded them, or intentionally do aught which would result in injury to any of their fellow-citizens.

Notwithstanding all this, I am compelled to withhold my approval of the order. The petition to which I have referred, asks that the northwesterly side of Broadway, between Grove and Marshall streets, be set apart for a speedway between the hours of three and five P.M. daily, Sundays excepted, during the sleighing season. The order goes far beyond the prayer of the petition, making the hours from one to five o'clock, and extending the period until the first day of April.

If there could be any assurance that the street in question would be used for speeding horses only by the gentlemen who have petitioned for the right, it might be reasonably safe to grant the request. If, however, the street is opened as a trotting course, it will be resorted to by persons of fast horses generally, and by our citizens and the inhabitants of other cities alike.

Between Grove street and Marshall street there are six streets leading from the northwesterly side of Broadway, and their residents are obliged to cross the proposed race-course in taking and leaving the electric cars. I cannot help feeling that the lives of elderly and feeble persons might be endangered by such a use of the street as is contemplated.

I would further call your attention to the fact that one of the largest school buildings in the city is located on Jaques street, and that 117 small children are obliged to cross Broadway, at points along the speedway, twice each day between the hours of one and five in the afternoon. Not only this, but the front on the Broadway park is resorted to daily, during the skating season, by hundreds of boys and girls who would be obliged to pick their way across the race-course at risk of life and limb.

From our present police force, it would be impossible to spare a sufficient number of patrolmen each afternoon to guard the crossings between Grove street and Marshall street.

For the reasons briefly stated above, I feel obliged to veto this order. This I do with great reluctance, for I should be glad to see a course designated in one of our streets over which courses of horses might be allowed to make tests of speed. The safety of our children, however, is paramount in my mind to almost every other considera-

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tion; and if any serious accident should be hereafter traceable to the license conferred by this order, I should feel an over-powering sense of guilt at having acquiesced in its passage.

If your Honorable Board, in its wisdom, can set apart some other street as a speedway, where the same elements of danger do not exist, I shall gladly approve of such action.

Respectfully submitted,

Albion A. Perry,

Mayor.

Read for information

√ Order

The order, passed by this board and the common council, January 12th, designating a portion of Broadway as a section of street in which the provisions of ordinance relating to fast driving shall not be applicable during a specified period, which order was returned by His Honor, the Mayor, with the foregoing message, was reconsidered, and its adoption was lost by a yea and nay vote, all of the members - 8 in number - voting in the negative.

√ Appointments

His Honor, the Mayor, appointed, subject to confirmation by the board, the following-named persons as weighers of beef:-

D. Warner Danforth, with North Packing & Provision Co.

Thomas K. Martin,
Clarence Edwards,
Frederick A. Geiling,
Edward M. Wheeler,
} with New England Dressed Meat & Wool Co.

George E. Slack,
Clinton E. Somer,
Alfred A. Waldron,
John J. Masters,
} with Boston & Maine Railroad

Charles H. Tucker, C. Edward Byrnes,
Amherst F. Durbar, William Houlahan,
Thomas A. Lane, George Grogan,
Charles E. Rockwell, Otto Powlowski,
Joel J. Fisher, Robert A. Murray,
Charles H. Ward, Charles A. Furlong,
} with Fitchburg Railroad Co.

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Rules suspended, and appointments confirmed

His Honor the Mayor appointed, subject to confirmation by the board, the following-named persons as weighers of coal — Appointments ✓

Sidney E. Hayden, (at Pumping Station, Cedar street)
Frank A. Teele
Robert A. Gerdes
Sawyer L. Smith
Charles P. Brenner
Nathan E. Willis
John A. March
H. Carleton Abbott
George H. Moore
Edgar H. Barker
George E. Slack
Clinton E. Somes
Alfred A. Haldeen
John J. Masters
} with Boston & Maine Railroad

Charles H. Tucker — C. Edward Byrnes
Amherst F. Durkee — William Houlahan
Thomas H. Lowe — George Grogan
Charles E. Rockwell — Otto Powlowski
Joel J. Fisher — Robert A. Dussay
Charles H. Hart — Charles H. Furlong
} with Fitchburg Railroad Co.

Rules suspended, and appointments confirmed

His Honor the Mayor appointed, subject to confirmation by the board, the following named persons as weighers of grain — Appointments ✓

John Craig
James A. Farquhar
} with Nathan Tufts & Sons

Rules suspended, and appointments confirmed

His Honor the Mayor appointed as lock-up keeper, under the provisions of the Public Statutes, Chapter 28, Section 27, Melville C. Parkhurst — Appointment ✓

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√ Communication

Received from the Common Council a communication sent by the City Clerk to that board January 12th, giving information that the board of aldermen had non-concurred in a joint order passed by the City Council Jan. 12, 1898, for the appointment of a joint committee to consider the advisability of revising the City Charter, - said communication being endorsed as follows:-

In Common Council Jan. 12, 1898. Common Council adhered to former action. Sent up for concurrence. Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

The communication referred to having been sent to the Common Council for information merely, and the order mentioned having been rejected by this board, the mayor ruled that the action taken by the Common Council was not in order.

The communication was therefor placed on file.

√ Annual Report

Received the annual report of the Treasurer and Collector of Taxes for the year 1897.

Referred to Committee on Finance and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 20, Reference concurred in.

√ Annual Report

Received the annual report of the School Committee for the year 1897.

Referred to Committee on Printing, to be printed in the annual reports. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 20, Reference concurred in.

√ Petitions

Received petitions, each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensees, - that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors:-

Charles H. H. Brown,	Frederick Capitello,	George A. Pierce,
Douglas O. Bruce,	Wm. J. Daley,	Herbert S. Tourtillott,
Edward T. Bruce,	Roy E. Harris,	Edward A. Tripp,
Americo Capitello,	Frank A. Dean,	George H. Tripp,

all approved by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

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Received a petition from Frank White for a license to collect junk, approved by the chief of police. — Petition ✓

License granted.

Received petitions from — Petitions ✓

Walter S. Sawyer and others for granite curbstones and cobble gutters in Browning Road opposite the estates of the respective petitioners, to wit:— on the southerly side from the corner of Sycamore street to a point ending at the southwesterly line of lot 14, and on the northerly side from the termination of the present brick sidewalk to a point ending at the southwesterly line of lot 10;

Anthony Stolar and others for a brick sidewalk on the west side of Essex street from Medford street to Richdale avenue.

Referred to Committee on Highways.

Received a petition from A. H. Whitney and others that the fence in front of the Forster school on Sycamore street be removed, as in the division of the petitioners it is uncalled for and its removal would be of benefit to the street. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Public Property and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 20. Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from Walter S. Sawyer and others for an arc light on Browning Road, at the town in said road first above Sycamore street. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 20. Reference concurred in.

Received a notice from Joan G. Garth, of bodily injuries received by falling upon the sidewalk on Day street, at or nearly opposite the premises numbered 45 on said street, at or about six P.M. on December 21, 1897 by stumbling against a large manhole sewer or drain-cover which projected above the ordinary level of the sidewalk, — Notice ✓

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there being, also, a depression in the sidewalk, from which some bricks had previously been taken.

Referred to Committee on Claims and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 20. Reference concurred in.

√ Petition

Received a petition from Charles E. Berry, of 306 Medford street, Cambridgeport, for permission to erect and use a stationary steam engine of six horse power, with a ten horse boiler, in the building now to be used as a machine shop at numbers 246 to 250 Washington street and 257 to 259 Somerville avenue, coal to be used for fuel.

Referred to Committee on Fire Department.

√ Order of Notice

Said petition was accompanied by the following order,—

Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered, that fourteen days' notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday, the 9th day of February, 1898, at 8 o'clock, P.M., at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, at which time any parties, who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition, and this order thereon in the Somerville Journal.

Adopted.

√ Petition

Received a petition from Irwin L. Smith, for permission to move a wooden building, 40 feet long, 30 feet wide, and 30 feet high, from land of F. O. Reed, on the northerly side of Mystic avenue, near Temple street, through Mystic avenue, to land of said Smith, on the southerly side of Mystic avenue, near Temple street.

certified by the Superintendent of Streets, and the Superintendent of Electric Lines, that the statement as to construction and measurement is substantially correct, and in their opinion, the proposed removal can be made without injury to public or private property.

Placed on file.

√ Order

Alderman Lapham offered an order granting permission to Irwin L. Smith to move a wooden building through Mystic avenue as recorded on page 517 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Lines

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Street Railways and Moving Buildings of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville
Adopted.

On the orders which were given two readings at the last meeting, for the printing, in the form of a pocket pamphlet, of all ordinances which relate to the construction of buildings, and on which order action was postponed until this meeting, action was again postponed until the next meeting. — Order ✓

The Committee on Licenses — Reports ✓
on the petition of Thomas Joyce, for a license as a common victualler at #270 Elm street, reported an order;
on the petition of Frederick Alton Gillis for a license as a private detective, reported an order;
Accepted.

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows: — Orders ✓

Ordered:—

That a license as a Common Victualler under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to the following-named party, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor, and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked

Name of Party	Place of Business
Thomas Joyce	No 270 Elm Street

Ordered:—

That a license as a private detective be issued to Frederick A. Gillis for the remainder of the term of one year from the first day of May, 1897, under the provisions of the laws of the Commonwealth, upon his shall have furnished a good and sufficient bond, in the sum of three thousand dollars, and satisfactory to this board, and shall have paid to the City Clerk for the use of the city the prescribed fee of ten dollars for such license.
Adopted.

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✓ Bond		Received a bond as a private detective from Frederick A. Gilley in the sum of three thousand dollars, with the American Surety Company of New York as surety, in form approved by the City Solicitor. Approved and accepted.
✓ Order	Ordered:–	Alderman Lamont offered the following order,– That the Committee on Sewers be, and hereby is, authorized to purchase two and one-half inch hose and couplings, at an expense not to exceed two hundred dollars; the expense so incurred to be charged to Sewer Maintenance Account. Read twice and adopted. Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 21, 1895.
✓ Reports		The Committee on Public Property,– on a communication from the city clerk relating to a card-index to the records of births, marriages and deaths, reported an order;
		presented plans and specifications prepared by Aaron H. Gould, architect, for changes in the third floor of the Benton St. Grammar school house in the Spring Hill District, and submitted an order
		Accepted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council Jan. 20, Accepted in concurrence
✓ Orders	Ordered:–	The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows– That the Committee on Public Property be, and it hereby is, authorized to purchase a cabinet for a card-index, with cards for the office of the city clerk, at a cost not exceeding three hundred and fifty dollars, the amount so expended to be charged to Miscellaneous account. Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council Jan 20, Read twice and adopted in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor, Jan 21, 1895.
	Ordered:–	That the plans and specifications, prepared by Aaron

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H. Gould, Architect, and presented by the Committee on Public Property this evening, for changes in the third floor of the Martin H. Carr school house, in the Spring Hill District be, and the same are hereby adopted, and the committee on public property is hereby authorized to have the changes carried out in accordance with said plans, at a cost not exceeding five hundred and eighty-five dollars; the amount so expended to be charged to Schoolhouse, Spring Hill District Account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 20. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 21, 1898.

Alderman Cummings offered the following order,- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is, directed to transfer, from Sewers Construction Account to Schoolhouse Spring Hill District, Account, the sum of six hundred dollars.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 20. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, January 21, 1898.

Alderman Huntley offered the following order,- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Fire Department be and it hereby is authorized to purchase two horses for the use of the Fire Department at a cost not exceeding three hundred dollars, the amount so expended to be charged to Fire Department account; and the said Committee is also hereby authorized to dispose of two horses now in the department.

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 20. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 21, 1898.

Alderman Huntley offered the following order,- Order ✓

Ordered:-

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Ordered:- That the Committee on Water be, and it hereby is authorized to solicit proposals for street watering, said watering to be done daily including Sundays & holidays, the Sunday watering to include one trip over the entire route in the morning, to be completed by nine o'clock, and one trip in the afternoon, to commence at four o'clock and to be completed after covering the entire route, the expense so incurred to be charged to Watering Street Account.

Ordered:- That the Committee on Water be, and it hereby is authorized to employ some suitable person to take the time of the men employed on street watering during the coming season, and to render such other assistance in the matter of said street watering as the committee shall direct, the expense so incurred to be charged to Watering Street account.

Ordered:- That the Committee on Water be, and it hereby is authorized to water such private streets of the city as may be called for, as far as the committee may deem advisable, when the abutters shall have first paid to the City Treasurer the sums required for said watering, the price for watering private streets to be the same per foot, as for watering public streets.

Ordered:- That the Committee on Water be, and it hereby is authorized to purchase two street watering carts, at a cost not to exceed seven hundred dollars, the amount so expended to be charged to Watering Street account.

Read twice and adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 20, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 21, 1898

Adjournment — Adjourned.

Attest:

George S. Vincent

Clerk.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Somerville, January 26, 1898 – 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry, presiding
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Dawlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present
Records approved

Received from the Common Council, the ordinance numbered 76 entitled "An Ordinance in Relation to Underground Streets and Passageways or Subways", as recorded on page 492 of the Book of Enrolled Ordinances in the City Clerk's Office, said ordinance having been read twice and adopted and passed to be enrolled by this Board, January 12, and bearing the following endorsements,– Ordinance ✓

In Common Council, Jan 12, 1898. Read twice and passed to be enrolled, in concurrence. Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

Somerville, Jan 20, 1898, Enrolled. Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk

In Committee on Enrolled Ordinances of the Common Council, Jan 20, 1898. The said committee, having examined the within ordinance, finds that it is truly and correctly enrolled, and so reports

Arthur G. Perry
Arthur P. Kimball } Committee
Paul J. Smith

In Common Council, Jan 20, 1898. Passed to be ordained. Francis M. Kilmer, President

Attest, Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk

Further action was taken as follows,–

In Committee on Enrolled Ordinances of the Board of Aldermen, Jan 26, 1898. The said committee, having examined the within ordinance, finds that it is truly and correctly enrolled, and so reports

Frederick M. Kilmer
L. Herbert Huntley } Committee
John A. Ball

In Board of Aldermen, Jan 26, 1898. Passed to be ordained. Albion A. Perry, Mayor

Attest, George S. Vincent, Clerk

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Jan. 27, 1898, Approved, Albion A. Perry, Mayor

√ Report — Received the report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for the month of December 1897.

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, Jan. 26. Read for information.

√ Annual Report — Received the annual reports for the year 1897 of

The Trustees of the Public Library

The City Clerk

The Inspector of Animals and Provisions

Referred to Committee on Printing to be printed in the Annual Reports. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council Jan. 26. References concurred in.

√ Petitions — Received petitions, - each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, - that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named manors, -

Frank S. Clowe, Harry T. Holland,
William F. Gose, John Hoye,
William H. Kelsey, James C. Murphy,
Edward F. Holland, Ralph L. Patrick,
George S. Holland, Ambrose P. Taylor,

all approved by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

√ Petition — Received a petition from A. Garfield Brown, for a license to give a mock-trial entertainment in Bacon Hall, Wednesday evening, February 16;

recommended by the Chief of Police.

License granted.

√ Petition — Received a petition from Roderick C. McNabb, for a license as an auctioneer.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

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Received a petition from Margaret A. Simpson, for a catch-basin on the northeasterly side of Holland street at the northwesterly corner of Simpson avenue. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Received petitions from — Petitions ✓

Annie M. Miles and others, for a crossing across Highland avenue from the southeasterly corner of Prescott street;

Horace F. Graves and others, for the laying out of Oxford street, 35 feet in width, from School street to Central street;

C. L. Stevens and others, that Davis square and the adjacent streets, namely, Highland avenue to a point 100 feet from the line of Davis square; Elm street, 100 feet north of the railroad crossing; Holland street, 100 feet north from the railroad crossing; Dow street, 100 feet from the line of Davis square; Day street, 100 feet from the line of Davis square, and Elm street to the southerly line of Chester street, — may be paved with asphalt pavement.

Referred to Committee on Highways, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 26. Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from Margaret A. Simpson, for an arc light on Broadway at the corner of Simpson avenue. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, January 26. Reference concurred in.

The order for the printing of all ordinances relating to the construction of buildings, action on which was postponed Jan. 19, until this meeting, was laid upon the table. — Order ✓

The Committee on Licenses, on the petition of George F. Hunnewell for a license as a common victualler, said business to be carried on in a lunch wagon on hand at the westerly corner of Peach and Bradley streets, reported an order. — Report ✓

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Accepted

√ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:-

Ordered:-

That a license as a Common Victualler under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to the following-named party, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
George F. Kimmerwell	in a lunch wagon on land at the westerly corner of Pearl and Bradley streets

Adopted.

√ Report

The Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, on so much of the communication from His Honor the Mayor, received January 12, as relates to the subject of the use of Welsbach lights in the streets, reported an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, January 26, Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights be, and it hereby is, authorized to permit the Welsbach Street Lighting Company to place, as an experiment, such number of their lights, as may seem expedient, in any street in this city, to test the lighting qualities of their lights, the expense so incurred, except the furnishing of the posts, to be borne by the Company, the expense of furnishing and setting the posts to be charged to the Appropriation for Street Lights.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 26, Read twice and referred back to the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights.

In Common Council, Jan. 26, Vote whereby order was referred

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back to Committee on Fuel & Street Lights reconsidered, and the order adopted in concurrence with the Board of Aldermen.

Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 25, 1898.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order:- Orders ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to purchase such quantities of field and ledge stone, together with such quantities of sand and gravel as may be required in the department during the year, the expense so incurred to be charged to Highways Account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council Jan. 26. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 28, 1898.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to solicit proposals for the furnishing of such quantities of edgestone and paving stock as may be required by the City during the present year, and to submit said proposals when received to the City Council.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 26. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 28, 1898.

Alderman Bell offered the following order:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That his Honor the Mayor be, and he hereby is, requested to communicate with his Honor the Mayor of Medford, requesting the appointment of a committee to confer with the committee on Public Grounds of this city in relation to the improvement of the banks of the Mystic River.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 26. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 28, 1898.

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√ Resolution

Alderman Lapham offered the following resolution,-

Resolved:-

It is with regret that the City Council of Somerville learns of the proposed curtailment of the postal delivery service of this city.

Believing that the business interests of our city would be greatly injured in the event of such action, we desire to enter our protest against the same and would urge upon our representative to use all the honorable means within his power to prevent the passage of any measure tending to reduce or impair the present free delivery service.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Jan. 26. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Jan 27, 1898.

√ Order

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That a message be sent to the Common Council requesting a convention of the two branches of the City Council in the common council chamber this evening, for the purpose of taking such action as may be deemed necessary in the matter of the election of trustees of the Public Library.

Adopted, and Alderman Kilmer appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council.

In Common Council, Jan. 26. Request granted, and Councilman Lord appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.

Convention

In Convention of the City Council.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball, President Gilson, and Councilmen Osborne, Kenney, Smith, Thomson, Burns, Gracey, Crocker, Berry, Lord, Vinal and Foster present.

√ Report

The committee appointed Jan 12 to receive, assort and count

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the votes cast for three trustees of the Public Library for three years, submitted the following report:-

— City of Somerville —

January 20th, 1898.

To the City Council of Somerville.-

The committee appointed to receive, sort and count the votes cast in convention of the city council January 12, 1898, for three trustees of the public library for the term of three years having reported as follows, namely:-

City of Somerville —

In Convention of City Council. Jan. 12, 1898.

The Committee appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Three trustees of the Public Library for three years, having attended to that duty, reports as follows:-

Whole number of ballots 24
Necessary for choice 13
Chas. A. West has 23
Geo. H. Perkins " 21
Edwin C. Booth " 15
J. Henry Flitner " 13

Frederick H. Kilmer
Frank B. Burrows } Committee
Arthur P. Lind

respectfully represents that in said report, by reason of a clerical error, the name of the third candidate mentioned, appears as Edwin C. Booth, but in fact the name of said candidate appeared on the ballots as Edward C. Booth.

Your committee therefore begs leave to present the following as a correct report in place of the one already made:-

In Convention of the City Council, January 12, 1898.

The Committee appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Three trustees of the Public Library for three years, having attended to that duty, reports as follows:-

Whole number of ballots 24
Necessary for choice 13
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Geo. H. Perkins has 21
Edward C. Booth " 15
J. Henry Flitner " 13
Frederick M. Kilmer } Committee
Arthur P. Kinsel

Accepted

√ Invitation — Received an invitation from the executive committee of the City Charter Commission to meet that committee at the Somerville Public Library, Monday, Jan 31st at 8 P.M. to confer with them regarding the draft for a new city charter.

Invitation accepted, and the clerks of the two boards instructed to notify the members of their respective boards.

Convention dissolved — The purpose for which it was assembled having been accomplished, the convention was dissolved, and the Mayor and Aldermen returned to their chamber.

Board of Aldermen — In Board of Aldermen

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Dawson, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.

√ Appointment — His Honor, the Mayor appointed, subject to confirmation by the Board, William F. Holmes, M.D., a member of the Board of Health for the term of three years.

Rules suspended and appointment confirmed.

Adjournment — Adjourned.

Attest,
George A. Vincent
Clerk

Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen called by the Mayor to draw jurors, and to transact any other business that might come before the board, all the members of the Board having been duly notified in writing.—

City Hall, Somerville, February 2, 1898—7½ P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Dawlin, Lamont, Kilmer and Ball present.

Records approved.

Received a venire for the drawing of one man to serve as a Grand Juror at the Superior Court, to be holden at Cambridge on the second Monday of February current, the man so drawn to be summoned to appear and attend said court on the first day of its sitting, at ten o'clock in the forenoon. Juror ✓

By direction of the Mayor the City Messenger passed the box to Alderman Tarbox, who drew therefrom and read aloud the name of Charles Good. It being understood that said Good was dead, Alderman Tarbox, by request of the Mayor, drew from the box, in place of his, another name, which was that of William H. Bonner.

The slip so drawn, bearing the name of William H. Bonner was passed by the messenger to the Mayor, who verified the name by reading it aloud from the slip, which was then passed to the City Clerk by whom the said name was also verified in the same manner, and the slip after being properly endorsed, was returned to the proper compartment of the jury box.

Received a venire for the drawing from the box of three men to serve as traverse jurors, at the Superior Court to be holden at Cambridge on the second Monday of February current, the men so drawn to be summoned to appear and attend said court on Monday, February 21st, 1898, at ten o'clock A.M. Jurors ✓

The City Messenger by direction of the Mayor, passed the box to

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Alderman Kleiner who drew therefrom and read aloud the names of Frederick L. Hanson, John Avery and Isaac L. Foss.

The slips bearing the said names so drawn were passed by the Messenger to the Mayor, who verified the names by reading them aloud from said slips, which were then passed to the City Clerk, who also verified the said names in the same manner, and after endorsing the slips, returned them to the proper compartment of the jury box.

√ Communication

Received the following communication from his Honor the Mayor.

— City of Somerville Mass —

Mayor's Office

Jan. 28th 1898.

To The Honorable City Council,

Gentlemen:—

In compliance with an order adopted by both branches of your Honorable Body, on the 26th day of the present month, I have addressed a communication to His Honor, the Mayor of Medford, requesting the appointment of a Committee of the Medford City Council to confer with the Committee on Public Grounds of the Somerville City Council in relation to the improvement of the banks of the Mystic River.

Respectfully yours,

Albion A. Perry,

Mayor

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, Feb. 10. Read for information.

√ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order:—

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Highways be and are hereby instructed to ascertain what action is necessary to remove the fence obstructing the highway across Kingston st. near the junction of the said Kingston st. and Campbell Park. And be it further ordered that the said Committee report within thirty (30) days from the passage of this order.

(signed) John F. Foster

In Common Council, Jan. 30, 1898, Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

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In Board of Aldermen, Feb. 2, 1898, Adopted in concurrence
Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 3, 1898.

Received a petition from U. Grant Bitters for a licence for a dramatic entertainment in Bacon Hall, Tuesday evening, January 25th; recommended by the Chief of Police, approved by the Mayor, and licence issued by the City Clerk. — Petition ✓

Issuing of licence approved.

Received a petition from Daniel A. Spike, for a licence for a cake-walk and hardy guedy party in Odd Fellows Hall, Winter Hill, Wednesday evening, February 16th; recommended by the Chief of Police. — Petition ✓

License granted.

Received petitions from — Petitions ✓

Edward Courtney, for a license as an auctioneer.

George F. Hunnewell, that the location named in the license as a common victualler, granted to him Jan. 26, 1898, be changed from the westerly corner of Pearl and Bradley streets, to the vacant lot between nos. 246 and 248 Pearl streets.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Adjourned. — Adjournment

Attest,

George S. Vincent

Clerk

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall Somerville, February 9, 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Talbot, Baulin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present
Records approved

√ Hearing — In pursuance of an order passed January 19, a hearing was given for all parties desiring to object thereto, on the petition of Charles E. Perry for permission to erect and use a stationary steam engine of six horse power, with a 10-horse boiler, in a building to be used as a machine shop at numbers 246 to 250 Washington street, and numbers 287 and 289 Somerville avenue, coal to be used for fuel, due notice of the hearing having been published by the petitioner as required by said order.
No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard the hearing was closed.

√ Report — Received the report of the Chief of Police for the month of January.
Placed on file

√ Report — Received the report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for the month of January.
Read and sent down for information
In Common Council, Feb 10. Read for information

√ Request — Received a request from the school committee that appropriations for the maintenance of schools for the year 1898, be made as follows,-

for salaries of teachers,	$185,125.00
for school contingent	30,000.00

Referred to Committee on Finance and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council Feb 10. Reference concurred in

√ Request — Received a request from the school committee that land be

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purchased, and two 6-room school buildings erected during the current year, one to be located not far from the corner of Dane and Washington streets in Ward II, and the other near the corner of Willow and Frederick avenues, in Ward IV.

Referred to Committee on Public Property, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb 10, Reference concurred in.

Received annual reports for the year 1897, from the — Annual Reports ✓

Water Board.
Overseers of the Poor.
City Physician.
City Solicitor.
Committee on Highways.
Committee on Public Property.
Committee on Fuel and Street Lights.

Referred to Committee on Printing, to be printed in the Annual Reports. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb 10, Reference concurred in.

Received the following communication:- — Communication ✓

City of Medford
Mayor's Office

Medford, Mass., Feb 5th, 1898.

Hon. Albion A. Perry,
Mayor of Somerville, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed by Mayor Levering to say in reply to your favor of the 28th ult. relative to the Mystic River Improvement that our City Council, by an order passed at their closing session of last year, authorized the Committee appointed last year to hold over till the work for which they were appointed is accomplished. That Committee is composed of the following named gentlemen:- Walter F. Cushing, Albert F. Sise, William A. Thompson, Charles S. Baxter and Andrew Nimms.

Yours respectfully,
John F. Libby,
Mayor's Clerk.

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Read and sent down for information.
In Common Council, Feb. 10, Read for information.

√ Invitation — Received an invitation from the entertainment committee of Willard C. Kinsley Post, No. 139, G. A. R., to be present at a lecture to be given by his Honor, Mayor Piney, before the post, in G. A. R. Hall, Monday evening, February 14th.
Invitation accepted, and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Feb. 10, Invitation accepted in concurrence.

√ Petition — Received a petition from Frederick A. Gibbs for appointment as a constable of the City of Somerville.
Referred to the Mayor.

√ Petitions — Received petitions, - each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, - that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors, -

Claude H. Colpitt,	Edward Phillips,
Clyde C. Colpitt,	Jacob A. Phillips,
Walter C. Nickerson,	Ralph L. Temple,
Albert Phillips,	George G. Wilber,
Charles T. Phillips,	Joseph F. Wilber,

all approved by the Chief of Police.
Licenses granted.

√ Petition — Received a petition for a license to collect junk from Daniel A. Cassidy, #42 Allen street,
approved by the Chief of Police.
License granted.

√ Petitions — Received petitions from, -
Jacob Demont, for a license as a common victualler at #145 Somerville avenue;
William & Joseph Dykens, for a license as common victualler at #206 Washington street;
Rev. Ada C. Bosch, for a license as a common victualler at #419 Som

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	erville avenue;	
James Sugrue	&c. other, that no junk licenses be granted to parties who have not resided in the city for at least one year;	
	Referred to Committee on Licenses	
	Received petitions from —	Petitions ✓
Abby P. Simpson	&c. Henry F. Sander, that a catch-basin be constructed on Broadway at the corner of Pauline street;	
Abby P. Simpson	&c. Henry F. Sander for two catch-basins on Pauline street at its lowest point;	
A communication	from Paul Barron Hatton calling attention again to the wretched condition of the drainage at the corner of Lawrence and Sumner streets, and stating that the catch-basin built there about three months ago, and the sewer with which it is connected, are so small that in heavy rains the neighborhood is flooded, that the evil is augmented by an embankment along the fence of the city stables which intercepts the natural flow of surface water, and that the only remedy is to enlarge the sewer and catch-basin or remove the embankment	
	Referred to Committee on Sewers	
	Received petitions from —	Petitions ✓
The Mayor of Cambridge	for permission to blast at the ledge on the Almshouse Farm of the City of Cambridge, the blasting to be done under the charge and direction of the Overseers of the Poor and the Superintendent of the Almshouse, and under such conditions as may be imposed regarding the covering of the drill-holes with mats, the time of day at which blasting shall be done, and the number of blasts to be permitted per day or week, with the suggestion that a committee be appointed by this board to confer with the Board of Overseers of the Poor of Cambridge, and to visit the premises	
The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts	for	

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locations for poles and wires in Hedford street between School and Central streets, for the purpose of relocating the line now standing on said Hedford street.

Referred to Committee on Highways.

√ Petition

Received a petition from Abby P. Simpson and Henry F. Sander that the city stone-crusher may be removed from its present location, as the petitioners consider it a nuisance and a great detriment to their property by reason of dust, smoke, steam and noise, and also of steam and water when the boiler is blown off.

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 10, Reference concurred in.

√ Petition

Received a petition from James K. Towle for an arc light at the junction of Hawthorne street and Cutter avenue.

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 10, Reference concurred in.

√ Communication

Received a communication from the President and Secretary of the Prospect Hill Park Association, in behalf of that association and other citizens, emphasizing the importance of preserving as a public park the remaining unoccupied portion of Prospect Hill, and urging the desirability of acquiring the land as soon as the necessary authority can be secured from the legislature.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 10, Reference concurred in.

√ Notices

Received notices to appear before the Superior Court at Cambridge on the first Monday of March next, and answer to Harry B. Kiley and Ida K. Kiley in actions of tort, to the damage of said plaintiffs, the sums, respectively, of $2500 and $4000.

Placed in hands of City Solicitor and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 10, Placed in hands on City Solicitor on concurrence.

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The Committee on Licenses — Reports ✓

on the petition of Edward Courtney, for a license as an auctioneer, reported leave to withdraw;

on the petition of George F. Hunnewell, for a change of the location named in his license as a common victualler, granted by an order passed January 26th, from the westerly corner of Pearl and Bradley streets to the vacant lot between numbers 246 and 248 Pearl street, reported an order;

Accepted.

The order submitted with the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the location where George F. Hunnewell may carry on the business of a common victualler under a license granted to him by this board January 26th, 1898, be and it is hereby changed from the land at the westerly corner of Pearl and Bradley streets, as stated in said license to the vacant lot of land between Nos 246 and 248 Pearl street.

Adopted.

The Committee on Police, on an order dated Jan. 12, referring to that committee the recommendation contained in his Conn. the Mayor's inaugural address for the retirement, at the age of sixty-five years, of all men hereafter appointed on the police force, reported an order. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered.—

That the Committee on Ordinances be, and hereby is, requested to prepare and submit to this Board a draft of an ordinance that will provide for the retirement of all members of the Police department hereafter appointed, when they shall severally reach the age of sixty-five years.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 10, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 11, 1898.

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✓ Order		Alderman Ball offered the following order, –
	Ordered: –	
		That the Committee on Police be, and hereby is, authorized to place rubber tires on the wheels of the Police Ambulance, at a cost not to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars; also to purchase, if found desirable, a set of hot runners for the use of the Ambulance, the expense so incurred to be charged to Police account.
		Read twice and adopted, and sent down for concurrence.
		In Common Council, Feb. 16, Read twice and adopted, in concurrence.
		Presented to the Mayor, Feb. 17, 1898.
✓ Reports		The Committee on Sewers, –
	on an order dated	July 14, 1897, reporting the completion of a storm drain and sewer on Hawthorn avenue, between Broadway and Mystic avenue, by contract with Daniel J. Dorey Company, at a cost of $19,241.53, the items of the work being as follows, –
		1,268 lin. ft. sewer trench excavated,
		652 lin. ft. underdrain,
		594.05 cu. yds. Portland concrete,
		392.64 cu. yds. American brick masonry,
		207.67 cu. yds. Portland brick masonry,
		5,545 lin. ft. piles in place,
		34,282 sq. ft. B.M. of lumber in foundations,
		42,757 sq. ft. B.M. of lumber in sheeting,
		2 manholes,
	on an order dated	January 19 to purchase 2½ inch hose with couplings, reported that such purchase has been made, at a cost of $182.04;
		Accepted.
✓ Reports		The Committee on Highways,
	on the petition of	Patrick F. Kiernan for permission to project from the building 72 Union Square, a sign over the sidewalk on Washington street, and another over the sidewalk

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on Somerville avenue, reported leave to withdraw;
on the petition of N. F. Gabb & Son for permission to display a folding sign on the grass plot between the bricks and the curb stone of the sidewalk in front of their premises #322 Broadway, reported an order;

Accepted.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to N. F. Gabb & Son, to display a folding sign-board, two feet wide and about three feet high, in front of their building #322 Broadway, on the vacant space between the brick sidewalk and the curbing, said sign to be put out after seven o'clock A. M. and to be removed before six o'clock P. M.

Adopted.

The Committee on Highways, on an order of Nov 10, 1897, for the purchase of crushed stone from Coleman Bros, reported an order. Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb 10, Accepted in concurrence.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to purchase of Coleman Bros crushed stone to the amount of six hundred dollars, the expense so incurred to be charged to Highways Account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb 10, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Feb 11, 1898.

Aldeman Ball offered the following communication and order:- Communication ✓

Boston Elevated Railway Company —

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71 Milk Street,
Boston, Mass., January 31st, 1895.

Mr. Edward Gardner,
Supt. of Lines,
Somerville, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

Your request for leave to make an attachment to our wires for the purpose of being able in an emergency to use our electric current to charge the storage batteries of your Fire Alarm System is received. With the understanding that the attachment be made in a manner satisfactory to our electrician, the Company will grant the request provided the City Council will pass the order inclosed.

We desire such an order because there is a question as to the Company's legal right to furnish power to municipalities, and if the question should be raised, with a formal request as evidence of our good faith, and as the power furnished would be a gratuity, it is obviously fair that we should not be responsible for any accident if such should occur.

Other municipalities have passed a similar order for the reasons above given.

Very truly yours,
B. S. Sargent,
Second Vice President.

√ Order

Ordered, That the Boston Elevated Railway Company be, and hereby is requested to furnish an attachment to the wires of its electric system for the purpose of enabling the City, in an emergency to use the electric current of said Company in charging the storage batteries of the City's fire alarm system, such attachment to be made where the Company's wires pass our Central Station, and in a manner satisfactory to the electrician of said Company; and in case of accident or damage to person or property arising out of such attachment, or the granting of said request, said City of Somerville agrees to indemnify and save harmless said Railway Company therefrom.

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Feb. 11. Adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 11, 1895

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Alderman Huntley offered the following order. — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Fire Department be, and hereby is, authorized to procure plans and specifications (at no expense to the City) for a two-door Fire Station, to be located at some future time on the City's lot, at the corner of Holland and Newbury streets.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 10. Laid on the table.

March 3 3rd. Taken from the table and adopted in concurrence.

Presented to the Mayor, March 25, 1898.

Alderman Huntley offered the following order. — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Fire Department be and hereby is, authorized to purchase for the apparatus known as Chemical A, a set of roller bearing wheels and axles at a cost not to exceed one hundred and eighty-five dollars, the expense so incurred to be charged to Fire Department Account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 10. Received its first reading. Referred back to the Committee on Fire Department, and sent up for concurrence. Feb. 16, 1898. Action of Feb. 10th, referring order to Committee on Fire Dept. reconsidered. Received its second reading and final passage in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 24, 1898.

Alderman Huntley offered the following order. — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be and hereby is, requested to look into the advisability of purchasing a tract of land in rear of the Sanford Canscom Schoolhouse, situated on Webster Street.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 10. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 11, 1898.

Alderman Cummings offered the following order. — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be, and it hereby is, authorized to purchase a No. 4 Smith Premier typewriter

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for the use of the City Engineer and the Superintendent of Public Buildings; the amount so expended to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 10, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 11, 1898.

√ Order — Alderman Ralli offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That the land in Ward Four recently purchased by the city for park purposes, together with the Hyatt Pit property, so called, be and the same hereby is, named Lincoln Park.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 10, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 11, 1898.

√ Order — Alderman Kilmer offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That His Honor the Mayor be and he hereby is requested to petition the General Court for legislation authorizing the City of Somerville to acquire land or Property Bill for park purposes, and authorizing the levying of betterment assessments in property in the immediate vicinity.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, Feb. 9, Adoption reconsidered. Action postponed until the order arrives.

√ Order — Alderman Tarbox offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That in pursuance of the provisions of section three, of chapter one of the Revised Ordinances of 1891, the city clerk be and he hereby is directed to cause publication of ordinance number 76, — entitled "An Ordinance in Relation to Underground Drains and Passageways or Sewers", — to be made in one issue of the Somerville Journal; the expense incurred to be charged to Printing and Stationery Account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, Feb 10, Read twice, and adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor, Feb 11, 1898

The Committee on Legislative Matters, to which was referred, by an order dated January 12, that portion of his Honor the Mayor's inaugural address relating to taxation, reported, an order — Report ✓

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, Feb. 10 Accepted in concurrence

The order submitted with the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Representations of Committees in the General Court be, and they hereby are, requested to favor the adoption of the recommendations contained in the majority report of the Special Commission on Taxation, which relate to the levying of an Inheritance Tax, the retention in the State Treasury of the tax on Corporate Stocks, and the commutation by the State of County expenses.

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council Feb. 10 Adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor Feb 11, 1898

Alderman Kilgore offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Legislative Matters, in conjunction with the City Solicitor, be, and they hereby are, authorized, and instructed to arrange for a conference with the proper authorities of the City of Cambridge, in relation to proposed changes in the boundary line between Cambridge and Somerville:— and the said committee in conjunction with the City Solicitor, are hereby authorized to appear before any committee of the Legislature, and favor or oppose, as to them may seem proper and expedient, any proposed changes in said boundary line, said committee being hereby given full power to represent the City Council in the premises. Said committee is also requested to make a report of its doings to the City Council

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence

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In Common Council Feb 10 Adopted in concurrence
Approved by the Mayor Feb 11, 1895

√ Ordinance — Ordinance Tarbox offered an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Section Three of Chapter Four of the Revised Ordinances of 1891."
Read twice and passed to be enrolled and sent down for concurrence.

Adjournment — Adjourned

Attest

George S Vincent
Clerk

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Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Somerville Feb. 16, 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Dawlin, Lamont, Kilmer and Ball present.
Records approved.

His Honor the Mayor announced, in a fitting manner, the death of Ezra D. Souther, a member of the Board of Overseers of the Poor, and a former member of this board and of the common council of this city. Mr Souther's death occurred at his late residence on Pembroke street, about seven o'clock on the morning of Wednesday, the 16th inst. — Death of Ezra D. Souther ✓

On motion of Alderman Lapham it was voted that a committee of three be appointed by the chair to draft and report suitable resolutions on the death of Mr Souther.

Later in the evening the committee submitted the following resolutions.

City of Somerville — Resolutions ✓

In Board of Mayor and Aldermen
February 16, 1898

Whereas, an honored citizen, a former member of the City Council and a member of the present Board of Overseers of the Poor of the City of Somerville, has been removed from our midst by death, it is

Resolved: that in the death of Ezra D. Souther the citizens of Somerville lose a faithful energetic and painstaking official, and the members of the City Government a valued personal friend;

Resolved: that profound and tender sympathy with the family and immediate friends of the deceased is hereby expressed, and a copy of these resolutions properly engrossed be sent to the family of the deceased.

F. De Witt Lapham,
Frederick A. Kilmer,
J. A. Ball

Read twice and adopted.

His Honor the Mayor also announced the death of — Death of ✓

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Franklin Henderson	Franklin Henderson, (an old resident of the city and its first superintendent of streets) which occurred at his late residence, No 110 Central street, at about ten o'clock on the night of Saturday, February 12th
√ Appointment	His Honor the Mayor appointed, subject to confirmation by the board, Henry B. Sellon as a special police without compensation. Rules suspended and appointment confirmed.
√ Petition	Received from the Common Council, a petition from P. B. Shiere and others for a fire-alarm box in Cutter Square. In Common Council, Feb 16 Referred to Committee on Electric Lines and sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen Feb 16, Reference concurred in.
√ Order	Received from the Common Council the following order.— Ordered.— That a joint special committee, consisting of three councilmen and such number of aldermen as may be joined, be appointed to confer with the officials of the Boston & Maine Railroad Company in relation to the erection of a bridge over the location of the tracks of said company at Lowell street. (signed) Orice H. Gracey. In Common Council, Feb 16, Adopted, and Councilmen Gracey, Perry and Foster appointed on the part of this branch. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen, Feb 16, Adopted, and Aldermen Lamont and Tarbox appointed to the committee on the part of this board, in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor, Feb 17, 1898
√ Annual Reports	Received the annual reports for the year 1897, of the City Engineer, Inspector of Buildings, Superintendent of Public Buildings, Committee on Fire Department. Referred to Committee on Printing to be printed in the annual reports. Sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, Feb 16, References concurred in

Received a petition, - signed by the father of the proposed licensee, - that a license to sell newspapers be granted to Joseph H. Whitaker, aged eleven (11) years; approved by the Chief of Police

License granted

Petition ✓

Received a petition from the Somerville Pleasure Club, by Charles H. Harlow, for a license for a hurdy-gurdy party and bicycle race entertainment in Union Hall, Tuesday evening, February 15, recommended by the Chief of Police, approved by the Mayor, and license issued by the City Clerk

Issuing of license approved

Petition ✓

Received petitions for licenses for entertainments from, -

The Somerville High School Base-ball Assn, - musical and literary - in Odd Fellows Hall, Thursday evening, February 17;

The Kindergarten Social Club, by Fred J. Tansey, #1222 Cambridge Street, Cambridge, - cake walk and prize dance, - in Bacon Hall, Tuesday evening, February 22nd;

both recommended by the Chief of Police;

License granted

Petitions ✓

Received a petition from Edward Courtney for a license as an auctioneer and for a public hearing in the matter

Laid on the table

Petition ✓

Received a petition from Luther B. Pillsbury, for permission to place a sign in front of his office, #316 Broadway, on that part of the sidewalk not used for public travel

Referred to Committee on Highways

Petition ✓

Received petitions from, -

Mrs Albion H. Libby and others, for brick sidewalks on both sides of Amer street;

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William E. Denver and others for a brick sidewalk on Concord avenue from the Knapp School to Marion Street.

Referred to Committee on Highways.

√ Petition — Received a petition from P. J. Smith and others for an arc light on Prospect street between Oak and Houghton streets, and another on Houghton street opposite Bolton street, instead of the incandescents now in use.

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb 16, Reference concurred in.

√ Petition — Received a petition from Herbert A. Whitten, Capt. of Co. M 8th Regt. M.I.M. that suitable quarters be provided for said company, those now occupied by it being unsuitable for various reasons, as stated in the petition, and for still further reasons which the captain requested that he might be permitted to present before the City Council or any committee of the same.

Referred to Committee on Public Property and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb 16 Reference concurred in.

√ Petition — Received a petition from the Heptorean Club that such action be taken by the City Council as will forever keep sacred the summit of Prospect Hill as a spot of great historic interest.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb 16, Reference concurred in.

√ Petition — Received a petition from Herbert A. Whitten, Captain of Co. M 8th Regt. M.I.M. for an appropriation of $250.50 to the use of said Company for the purpose of rifle practice.

Referred to Committee on Finance and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb 16 Reference concurred in.

√ Notices — Received notices from,-

Wednesday, February 16, 1898.

Irene Tarlton, of 27 Crocker Street, Somerville, of injuries sustained at about half past eleven o'clock in the forenoon of Monday, Feb 7, 1898, by falling on the sidewalk on the right hand side of Somerville avenue, going west or towards Lowell street on said avenue, near a hydrant; the cause of the fall being the faulty construction of the sidewalk at said place, and an accumulation of ice and snow which had been allowed to remain there by the negligence of the City of Somerville. (Filed with the City Clerk, February 15, 1898)

John W. Pettingill, in behalf of Mrs Bibby, of #244 Summer street, of injuries sustained (breaking an arm) January 16, 1898, at about 9.30 o'clock P.M., by falling on the sidewalk on the left hand side of Summer street, going from Craigie to Porter street, near the gate leading into the house of Daniel F. Goulding, #220, on said Summer street, the fall being occasioned by the accumulated ice and snow, being very rough and slippery, and the said sidewalk not being reasonably safe and convenient for travellers. (Filed with the City Clerk, Feb 15, 1898)

Referred to Committee on Claims, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb 16. References concurred in.

On an order of February 9, action on which was postponed until this meeting, requesting the Mayor to petition the General Court for legislation authorizing the city to acquire land on Prospect Hill for park purposes and to levy betterment assessments for such park, on motion of Alderman Kilmer, action was again postponed until the next meeting. Order ✓

Alderman Davlin offered the following order:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That Wednesday, February 23rd, at 8 o'clock P.M., and the Mayor and Aldermen's room in the City Hall be appointed

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as the time and place for a hearing to all parties desiring to be heard on the petition of Edward Courtney, for a license as an auctioneer, - notice of such hearing to be given by said Courtney by publication of an attested copy of this order in the Somerville Journal of the 18th inst.

Adopted

√ Report. The Committee on Licenses, on the petition of Roderick C. McNabb for a license as an auctioneer, reported leave to withdraw.

Accepted

√ Report. The Committee on Licenses, on petitions for licenses as common victuallers, from -

Jacob Demont, at #145 Somerville avenue

William and Joseph Dykens, at #236 Washington street and

Mrs. Ada C. Kirch, at #419 Somerville avenue

reported an order.

Accepted

√ Order. The order presented with the foregoing report is as follows -

Ordered:-

That a license as a common victualler under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to each of the following-named parties, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
Jacob Demont	145 Somerville Avenue,
William and Joseph Dykens	236 Washington Street,
Mrs. Ada C. Kirch	419 Somerville Avenue

Adopted

√ Report. The Committee on Fire Department, on the petition of Charles E. Berry for permission to erect and use a stationary steam engine of six horse-power, with a ten horse boiler, in a building to be used as a machine shop, at #246 to #250 Washington street and #287 and #289 Som-

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ervilly avenue, reported an order.

Accepted.

The order submitted with the foregoing report is as follows: — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That a License be, and hereby is granted to Charles E. Berry to erect for use, a six horse-power Stationary Steam Engine with boiler of two horse-power, at No. 246 to 250 Washington street, and Nos. 287 and 289 Somerville avenue, in accordance with the specifications contained in the application for such license, also in accordance with a permit to be issued by the Inspector of Buildings, and under such regulations as the said Inspector may prescribe, which permit must first be obtained before such Engine or Boiler is erected.

Adopted.

The Committee on Highways, on the petition of The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts, for pole locations on Kelso street between School and Central streets, reported no action necessary, as the company, while desiring to erect three additional poles, deemed it inexpedient to await the action of the board of aldermen, and had therefore simply replaced, with new hard pine poles, those that were destroyed by the recent storm. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The Committee on Printing, on an order of January 12th, to solicit proposals for the printing of the annual reports of the city for the year 1897, as specified in said order, and to print also three hundred copies, bound in cloth, of the annual reports of the city for the years 1872, 1873 and 1874, submitted the following lists of proposals received to do such printing:- — Report ✓

Reports for 1897

Names of Bidders	1400 Copies Annual Reports per page	Board of Health Separate reports	Overseers of the Poor Separate reports	School Committee Separate reports	Public Library Separate reports	City Engineer's Separate reports	Water Board Separate reports	Total
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Rockwell and Churchill	1.87	12.00	7.00	67.00	21.00	20.00	17.00	144.00
Samuel Usher	1.85	12.00	6.50	65.00	23.00	19.00	18.00	143.50
Somerville Journal Co.	1.55	7.50	5.50	35.00	20.00	10.50	14.00	92.50

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— Reports for 1872-1873-1874 —

Names of Bidders	1872 reports per page	1873 reports per page	1874 reports per page	Total Reports
Rockwell & Churchill	$ 0.60	$ 0.70	$ 0.90	
Samuel Usher				$ 660.00
Somerville Journal Co.				567.50

and pamphlet, an order

Accepted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, Feb. 16, Accepted in concurrence

✓ Order — The order pamphlet with the foregoing report is as follows:-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Printing be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to make a contract with the Somerville Journal Company for the printing of the Annual Reports for the year 1897 together with additional copies of the reports of the Board of Health, City Engineer, Overseers of the Poor, School Committee, Trustees of the Public Library and Water Board, also for the printing of three hundred copies each of the annual reports of the City for the years 1872, 1873, and 1874, at the prices submitted in said committee report of this date, the expense so incurred to be charged to Printing and Stationery account.

Read twice, amended by striking out so much of the order as relates to the annual reports of the city for the years 1872, 1873 and 1874. As thus amended, adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 16, As amended, read twice and adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor, Feb 17, 1895

✓ Report — Received the following report from the Committee on Finance:

— City of Somerville —

In Committee on Finance, February 10, 1895.

To the City Council of Somerville:-

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred the report of the treasurer and collector of taxes for the year 1897, report that it has examined the same, have found the report to be correct, and recommend that it be accepted and printed

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We also report that we have this day, in compliance with section ten of chapter four of the Revised Ordinances of 1891, and in conjunction with the auditor, examined and audited the books and accounts of the treasurer and collector of taxes, for the year ending December 31, 1897, comparing them and verifying them with the certificates transmitted to us by the city clerk, and also with the books, accounts, papers, vouchers, and documents of the auditor, treasurer, city clerk and of the several committees, boards and officers of the city, and that said examination included a verification of the cash balance at the close of business today as shown by the books and accounts and by an actual count of the moneys on hand and by statements from the various banks in which the funds of the city are deposited.

We desire to express our appreciation of the attention paid by the treasurer to the various details of his department, of the neatness and accuracy of his books and papers, of his apparent familiarity with all of his accounts and of his courteous answers to our many inquiries.

Albion A. Perry
Frederick M. Kilmer
L. Herbert Huntley
Orice M. Gracey
Isaac M. Story
John F. Foster
} Committee on Finance

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 16, Accepted in concurrence.

Alderman Tarbox offered the following order:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That Wednesday evening, February 23rd, at eight o'clock, and the Common Council chamber in the City Hall, be appointed as the time and place for a hearing before the City Council to the captain and other officers of Co. M. 8th Regt. M.S.M. on the petition of the captain of said company in relation to suitable quarters; and the city clerk is hereby directed to cause due notice of such hearing to be given to the captain of said company.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council Feb 16, Adopted, in concurrence
Approved by the Mayor, Feb 17, 1898

Adjournment — Adjourned

Attest

George S. Vincent
Clerk

Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen, called by the Mayor to receive and act upon the report of the Committee on Finance submitting a list of appropriations for the current year, and to transact any other business that might come before the board, all the members having been duly notified in writing.—

City Hall, Somerville, February 23, 1898 - 3 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Lamont, Kilmer and Ball present.

Records approved.

Aldermen Kilmer offered the following order.— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That a message be sent to the Common Council requesting a convention of the two branches of the City Council in the Common Council chamber this day, for the following purposes namely,—

1.— to consider, informally, the report of the Committee on Finance, submitting a list of appropriations for the current year;

2.— to give a hearing to Captain Herbert H. Whitten and the other officers of Company A 8th Regt M.S.M., upon the subject of providing suitable quarters for said company, an order for such hearing having been approved February 17, 1898.

Adopted and Aldermen Kilmer appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council.

In Common Council February 23, Request granted and Councilman Cushman appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.

In Convention of the City Council Convention

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His Honor Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Lamont, Kilmer and Ball, President Wilson, and Councilmen Osborne, Kenney, Smith, Cushman, Grimmons, Thomson, Bucrow, Gracey, Crocker, Lord, Vinal and Foster present.

√ Informal Consideration

In pursuance of an order passed this evening, the convention proceeded to consider, informally, the report of the Committee on Finance submitting a list of appropriations for the current year, and as a result of the deliberations and the votes passed, it was expressed as the sentiment of the convention that the report be amended by striking out, in that part of the report relating to an appropriation for Support of Poor, the words "and salary of city physician $1000.00," and that the report, as so amended, be accepted.

√ Hearing

At eight o'clock the convention proceeded, in pursuance of orders passed Feb 16th and this evening, to give a hearing to Capt. Herbert A. Whitten and the other officers of Co. A 5th Regt. M. & M. and to all others interested upon the question of providing suitable quarters for said Company.

Capt. Whitten, Lieutenant George I. Canfield, Dr. George L. Marshall, formerly a lieutenant in the company, Colonel Edward C. Bennett, Edwin F. Cushing, past-commander of Willard C. Kinsley Post, No. 139, G. A. R., Henry A. Pitman, formerly captain of the company, and Representative and ex-alderman Melville D. Jones, appeared and addressed the convention in support of the petition received by the city council from Capt. Whitten, upon the 16th inst. that suitable quarters be provided. Captain Whitten also read letters from General William A. Bancroft and Mr. Charles E. Giles, in aid of said petition.

It was stated that a new armory should include a drill shed about 75 by 100 feet, with a two-story head-house, about 40 by 60 feet in size, in which there should be a company room, a room for the keeping of the uniforms, so that they may be issued to the men and returned to the custody of the commander every drill night, a room for lockers and rifles, with suitable conveniences for the armorer in repairing rifles, a commissioned officers' room, a room for the non-commissioned officers, and an office. The commander is responsible for all state property used by the

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company, including uniforms, rifles and other equipments, and the company quarters should be so arranged that he may keep them all secure.

In the present armory, the uniforms are kept in the men's lockers, which are easily opened, the rifles are in racks in the company room, and the knapsacks, etc. in chests under the lockers. The quarters are so damp that the rifles rust quickly, and there being no armorer's room the rifles must be carried to Boston whenever repairs are needed. The present quarters are also insufficiently heated.

The available space in the drill-room is but 48 feet square, and is entirely inadequate for the proper drilling of the company. A suitable building could be erected for from ten thousand to fifteen thousand dollars, and arrangements could be made between the company commander and the city authorities so that the drill-room could be used for public gatherings when not required for the purposes of the company. Considerable funds are needed for the proper maintenance of the military company and if the company could have the income which might be derived from letting the drill-room occasionally, these funds could be obtained largely from that source. The inadequacy of the present quarters and their lack of comfort operate against the recruiting of the company, men being kept upon the rolls who do not attend upon drills as constantly as they ought, because of the lack of applications for enlistment from suitable candidates. A new armory should be as centrally located as possible so as to draw recruits from various parts of the city, and should be conveniently near a railway station.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

The purposes for which it was assembled having been accomplished, the convention was dissolved and the Mayor and Aldermen returned to their chamber. — Convention dissolved

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In Board of Aldermen — Board of Aldermen

Sir Henry Mayor Perry presiding

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Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Lamont, Kilmer and Gall present.

✓ Hearing

In pursuance of an order passed February 16th, a hearing was given for all parties interested on the petition of Edward Courtney, for a license as an auctioneer, due notice of the hearing having been published by the petitioner as required by said order.

The petitioner, M. Courtney, appeared with James B. Kelley, Esq. as council. M. Courtney stated that his business is that of a dealer in furniture, mostly second-hand, at 67½ Union square, the business being conducted in his wife's name. He had formerly been addicted to the use of intoxicating liquors, but three months ago he went to the sanitarium on Broadway for treatment, and had drunk no liquor since. Had been a licensed auctioneer in years past, the last license which he held expiring May first, 1897. On applying for a renewal, he was given leave to withdraw, and on a second petition for a license and for a hearing, a hearing was given by the board of aldermen, but M. Courtney did not appear as he claimed to have received no proper notice of the hearing. Had held his auction sales in the evening about twice a month. They were always conducted in an orderly manner, and no complaint had been made to him by the Chief of Police or other officers. He had always complied, to the best of his knowledge, with the law requiring a record to be kept of goods received for sale and sold at auction. Messrs. Otis S. A. Haskell, who had been M. Courtney's landlord for the past two years, Samuel Morison and James Mahoney, who had purchased goods at auction of M. Courtney, and Samuel D. Bond, who had done teaming for him, all testified to his prompt payment of bills and satisfactory business methods.

Chief of Police Parkhurst testified that in 1884, M. Courtney had plead guilty to the charge of larceny before the Police Court and was fined. Was also arrested for drunkenness in 1894 and released by the Chief in the morning, under discretionary powers given the chief. Complaints had been made by different people that M. Courtney would force upon them sums of money for their goods which were less than they were willing to accept, and hurry away without giving them an opportunity to refuse the money, and then go and remove the goods

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Sergeants Kelley and Carter of the Police Force testified that they called at Mr. Courtney's and examined his books in July 1897, and found that his records did not comply with the law relating to auctioneers, goods being entered as received without the names of the assignees and in other cases the surnames only of parties from whom goods were received or to whom they were sold, being given. The call made by the two sergeants on Mr. Courtney was the day before that set for the hearing on his petition for a renewal of his auctioneer's license in 1897, and the fact of the hearing was mentioned by Mr. Courtney, but he signified to the officers that he did not propose to attend.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

Received the following communication from His Honor, the Mayor:- Communication V

— City of Somerville, Mass. —

Mayor's Office

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To The Board of Aldermen

Gentlemen:-

Upon the petition of Ralph O. Brock for appointment as a weigher of hay and grain, said petition having been referred to me by your honorable board on the 12th day of January last, I beg to report that, in my judgment, it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner, inasmuch as the statutes of the Commonwealth make no provision for such an appointment.

The manner of appointing measurers of grain is prescribed in section 33 of chapter 60 of the Public Statutes, but the petition under consideration contains no clear and specific request for the appointment of a measurer of grain.

The weighing of hay and straw is regulated by later sections of the same chapter, but the appointment of "inspectors of pressed or bundled hay and straw" is contingent upon the prior petition of ten or more legal voters of the city.

In view of the facts above stated, I would recommend that the petitioner be given leave to withdraw.

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Respectfully submitted
Albion A. Perry,
Mayor

Accepted

√ Recommendation

Received a recommendation from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department that Henry A. Byrnes, engineman of Steamer One, be discharged from the department at his own request.

Discharge as recommended made by the Mayor and confirmed by the Board of Aldermen.

√ Annual Reports

Received the annual reports for the year 1897 of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department
The Board of Health and
The Committee on Sewers

Referred to Committee on Printing to be printed in the Annual Reports. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 23, Reference concurred in.

√ Copy of Record

Received a copy of the Record of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Waltham, of the appointment, on the petition of the Fitchburg Railroad Company, of John William Bradley to be a police officer for the purposes, and with the powers set forth in sections thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, and twenty of Chapter 103 of the Public Statutes and Acts and amendments thereof and in addition thereto.

Placed on file

√ Letter and Vote

Received from the Boston Elevated Railway Company the following letter and copy of vote.-

Boston Elevated Railway Company.
81 Kilby Street
Boston, Mass., Feb. 16th, 1898.

George S. Vincent, Esq.,
City Clerk,
Somerville, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

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Enclosed herewith please find copy of vote of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Boston Elevated Railway Company granting the City of Somerville permission to make an attachment of their wires to the electric system of this Company for the purpose of charging the storage batteries of the City of Somerville's fire alarm system, in case of emergency.

Yours truly,

John T. Bennett

Secretary

— Copy —

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Boston Elevated Railway Company held in Boston, February 15th, 1895, on motion, duly seconded, it was,—

Voted: That the request of the City of Somerville, asking permission to make an attachment to the wires of the electric system of this Company for the purpose of charging the storage batteries of the City's fire alarm system in case of emergency be granted.

A true copy.

Attest:

John T. Bennett,

Clerk

Placed on file.

Received petitions, each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors:— Petitions ✓

Frank B. Flagg, John Judge and Albert C. Spaulding, all recommended by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

Received a petition from Frank Barnett for a license to give a benefit concert and dance in Bacon Hall, Friday evening, February 15th, recommended by the Chief of Police, approved by the Mayor and license issued by the City Clerk. Petition ✓

Issuing of license approved.

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✓ Petition	Received a petition from the Norfolk Associates, by Ed. Ward, President, 25 Bowdoin St., Somerville, for a license to give a cake-walk and dancing entertainment in Union Hall, Monday evening, April 18th; recommended by the Chief of Police. License granted.
✓ Petition	Received a petition from A. C. Breed and others for an arc light at the corner of Cutter avenue and Hawthorne street. Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council, February 23, Reference concurred in.
✓ Petition	The petition of Edward Courtney for a license as an auctioneer, which was laid on the table February 16th, was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Licenses.
✓ Order	The order offered February 9th, action on which was postponed until February 16th, and again until this evening, requesting the Mayor to petition the General Court for legislation authorizing the city to acquire land on Prospect Hill for park purposes, and authorizing the levying of betterment assessments on property in the immediate vicinity, was Rejected.
✓ Report	The Committee on Finance on the petition of Herbert W. Whitten, Captain of Co. M 8th Reg't M. & M. for an appropriation of two hundred and fifty dollars for the expense of rifle practice of the current year, reported an order. Accepted.
✓ Order	The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:- Ordered:- That the Committee on Accounts be, and hereby is, instructed to approve in pay-roll of Miscellaneous, a bill amounting to two hundred and fifty dollars, in favor of Co. M 8th Reg't M. & M., for the purpose of defraying the expenses of rifle practice for the current

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year.

Read twice, and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 23. Read twice, and adopted in concurrence.

The Committee on Public Grounds, on the petition of the Prospect Hill Park Association, for the preservation of the summit of Prospect Hill as a public park, - the petition of the Heptorean Club for the preservation of the summit of Prospect Hill as a public park, and as a place of historic interest, - and an order dated January 12th, referring to said committee so much of the communication received from His Honor the Mayor, January 12th, as relates to the subject of a park on Prospect Hill, reported an order. Report ✓

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 23. Accepted in concurrence.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That His Honor, the Mayor be, and he hereby is, requested to petition the General Court for such legislation as will enable the City Council, at any time within the next three years, to take land for a public park on Prospect Hill, and assess betterments therefor, said land being bounded as follows:-

Northeasterly by Monroe street 780-16/100 feet; southeasterly by land now or formerly of Charles H. Nott 139-5/100 feet; southwesterly by certain parcels of land belonging respectively in the order named, and beginning with the most easterly of said parcels, now or formerly to Mary C. Clark, Francis S. Brown and Charles Wood, Herbert E. Gustin, Julia L. Gustin, Artemas C. Richardson, William C. Richardson, Artemas C. Richardson, Philip Eberle, John W. Kinal, Louise Mand, George C. Ellis, Belvin T. Williston, Heirs of William C. High, Mary F. Brooks, Catherine Lord, 749 feet; northwesterly by land now or formerly of Elbridge G. Park 132 feet, containing about 2-57/100 acres.

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Adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council Feb. 23, Adopted in concurrence.

✓ Order

Alderman Huntley offered the following order,-
Ordered:-
That the Committee on Ordinances be and it hereby is requested to report to the City Council during the month of March, an ordinance, or recommend such legislation as is necessary, to place all wires, (except the wires of street railway companies) underground.
Adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Feb. 23, Adopted in concurrence.

✓ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order,-
Ordered:-
That the Committee on Ordinances be, and it hereby is, requested to report a draft of an ordinance amending chapter ten of the Revised Ordinances of 1891, entitled "City Physician".
(signed) Isaac M. Story
In Common Council, Feb. 23, Adopted and sent up for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen, Feb. 23, Adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, March 1, 1898.

✓ Report Appropriations

Received the following report of the Committee on Finance,-
— City of Somerville —
In Committee on Finance,
February 18, 1898.

To the City Council,
of Somerville.

The Committee on Finance, required by section one of ordinance number four to prepare and lay before the City Council an estimate of the amount of money necessary to be raised for the current financial year, and the ways and means of raising the same, and having received from the several committees and boards, having the ex-

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expenditure of the city's money, estimates of their annual requirements, and estimates from the City Treasurer of the money required for interest and the reduction of the funded debt, submits its report for the current year, recommending for the following named purposes, the sums set down to each respectively, and that the same be raised on the polls, property and estates taxable in the city, according to the provisions of law.		
Electrical Department,		
including salary of Superintendent of Electric		
Lines and Lights $1,200.00		$6,400.00
Engineering Department,		
including salary of City Engineer $2,200.00 be		
to furnish and maintain his own team		9,000.00
Bills and Deficiency		5,400.00
Fire Department,		
including salaries of		
Chief Engineer	$1,500.00	
Asst. Engineer	600.00	
Permanent Captains		
For first year's service as		
permanent man	770.00	
For second year's service as		
permanent man	900.00	
For subsequent service	1,050.00	
Engineers of steam fire engines,		
For first year's service as		
permanent man	560.00	
For second year's service as		
permanent man	1,000.00	
For subsequent service	1,140.00	
Drivers, acting as captains, each	50.00	
Asst. Engineers, drivers, and		
all other permanent men,		
except as above provided,		
For first year's service as		
permanent man	720.00	

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	For second year's service as		
	permanent man	$50.00	
	For subsequent years	1,000.00	
	and of hall-men,		
	Captains, each	150.00	
	Lieutenants, each	162.00	
	Other call-men, each	150.00	$56,000.00
Health Department,			
including salary of agent $1,200.00 and salary of			
superintendent of collection of ashes and offal $900.00			20,000.00
Highways,			
including salary of Superintendent of Streets, the city			
to furnish his teams, $1,600.00			65,000.00
Sundry Soldiers and Sailors			400.00
Interest (on funded debt and temporary loans)			80,000.00
Miscellaneous,			
for contingent purposes and pay of election officers,			
Warden, each per day		$5.00	
Deputy Warden, each per day		5.00	
Clerks, each per day		5.00	
Deputy Clerks, each per day		5.00	
Inspectors, each per day		7.00	
Deputy Inspectors, each per day		7.00	
Deputies who do not serve, for reporting			
to warden before opening of polls		1.00	
Salary of Clerk of Knights and Squires		400.00	
Ground rents		35.00	
Office expenses of the City Solicitor		150.00	9,000.00
Police,			
for contingent purposes and salaries of			
Chief		$1,900.00	
Captains		1,500.00	
Sergeants (4) each		1,300.00	
Keeper of lock-up		100.00	
Patrolmen,			
For first year's service from			

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date of appointment, each fire day 2.50		
For second year's service from date		
of appointment, each fire day 2.75		
After two years service from date		
of appointment, each fire day 3.00	$48,500.00	
Police Station Incidentals,		
including salary of janitor $850.00	2,000.00	
Printing and Stationery	6,500.00	
Public Grounds	6,000.00	
Public Library, (to which amount shall be added the sum		
received from the County Treasurer, as the city's		
part of the fees for dog licenses)	7,500.00	
Relief and Aid of Indigent Soldiers and Sailors	9,000.00	
Reduction of Funded Debt	155,300.00	
Salaries, (to which amount shall be added the sum		
received from the State for corporation and		
bank taxes),		
Mayor	$2,500.00	
City Clerk	2,400.00	
First Assistant to City Clerk	700.00	
Second Assistant to City Clerk	500.00	
Treasurer and Collector of Taxes	3,200.00	
First Assistant to same	500.00	
Second Assistant to same	700.00	
Third Assistant to same	500.00	
Deputy Collector of Taxes	1,200.00	
City Solicitor	1,500.00	
City Auditor	500.00	
Clerk of Common Council	300.00	
Clerk of Committees	1,500.00	
First Assistant to Clerk of Committees	1,000.00	
Second Assistant to Clerk of Committees	550.00	
Clerk of Assessors	1,600.00	
First Assistant to Clerk of Assessors	700.00	
Second Assistant to Clerk of Assessors	500.00	
City Messenger, (the city to		

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	furnish his team)	1,500.00	
	Inspector of Buildings, (he to furnish his own team)	1,900.00	
	Inspector of Plumbing	1,200.00	
	Inspector of Hides and Tallow	400.00	
	Inspector of Animals and Provisions	400.00	
	Assessor, Assessors of,	900.00	
	Clerks (2) each $800.00	1,600.00	
	Assistant Assessors (4) each $250.00	1,000.00	
	Registrars of Votes (4) each $200.00	800.00	
	Janitor of City Hall and Public Library Building	750.00	
	Night Janitor at City Hall	720.00	8,000.00
School Contingent			15,000.00
School Contingent, (Janitors' Salaries)			17,000.00
School Fuel			10,000.00
Schoolhouse Incidentals			17,000.00
School Teachers' Salaries			190,000.00
Sewers Maintenance			7,000.00
Sidewalks			10,000.00
Street Lights			45,000.00
Support of Poor, including salaries of Agent $1,500.00, Secretary $600.00, and salary of City Physician $1,000.00			20,000.00
Watering Streets			3,500.00
	Amounting in the aggregate to		$834,400.00

And it is further recommended that the income received in the City of Somerville, from the Water Works, shall be appropriated, and applied as follows:—

First,—to the payment of the expense of maintenance and operation incurred by the Water Board of the city, the sum of $60,000.00

Second,—to the payment of the interest of all bonds, notes, or scrip of the city issued, on account of the Water Works, the sum of $11,925.00, and to the payment of said bonds, notes, or scrip, as they may mature, the sum of $22,000.00

Third,—to the payment of the assessment of the city to be paid to

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the Treasurer of the Commonwealth, as provided in Chapter 488 of the Acts of 1895

Fourth - to the payment of the expenses of the extension of the Water Works, the sum of $20,000.00

Fifth - and the balance, if any, to be appropriated by the City Council for the construction of storm water drains.

Albion A. Perry,
Frederick A. Kilmer,
L. Herbert Huntley,
Francis A. Wilson,
James W. Kenney,
Isaac M. Story,
Orice M. Gracey,
John F. Foster
} Committee

Amended by striking out the words and figures "and salary of city physician $1,000.00," in the appropriation for Support of Poor. As thus amended, accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Feb. 23, As amended, accepted in concurrence.

Order ✓

Received from the Common Council an order making appropriations and levying a tax for the current year, for the purposes and of the amounts, respectively, as stated in the foregoing report of the Committee on Finance, also for State and County taxes, Metropolitan sewer and non-resident Bank Stock assessments, and for Overlay and Abatement, fixing at seven per cent per annum the rate of interest to be charged on unpaid taxes, and authorizing the borrowing of seven hundred thousand dollars for current expenses, in anticipation of the taxes for the present year.

In Common Council, Feb. 23, 1898. Received its first reading. Amended by changing the amount of School Teachers Salaries from one hundred and ninety thousand dollars to one hundred and eighty-eight thousand dollars and changing the amount of sidewalks appropriation from ten thousand dollars to twelve thousand dollars. As amended, received its second reading and final passage by unanimous yea and nay vote. Sent up for concurrence.

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In Board of Aldermen, Feb. 23, 1898. Received its first reading. Amended by making the amount of the appropriation for School Teachers Salaries One hundred and ninety thousand dollars, and that for Sidewalks Ten thousand dollars. As thus amended received its second reading and final passage by unanimous yea and nay votes. Sent down for concurrence.

(see subsequent record)

✓ Ordinances

The ordinance, No. 77, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Section Three of Chapter Four of the Revised Ordinances of 1891," recorded on page 495 of the book of Enrolled Ordinances in the city clerk's office, which ordinance was passed to be enrolled, by this board Feb. 9th was received back from the Common Council endorsed as follows:—

In Common Council, Feb. 10, 1895. Read twice and passed to be enrolled, in concurrence. Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

Somerville, Feb. 10th, 1895. Enrolled, Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk of the Common Council.

In Committee on Enrolled Ordinances of the Common Council, February 23, 1898. The said committee, having examined the within ordinance, finds that it is truly and correctly enrolled, and so reports.

Arthur H. Berry,
Arthur P. Kinsel
Paul J. Smith
Committee.

In Common Council, Feb. 23, 1895. Passed to be Ordained.

Frances A. Wilson, President.

Attest, Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

Action on said ordinance was taken as follows:—

In Committee on Enrolled Ordinances of the Board of Aldermen, Feb. 23, 1898. The said committee, having examined the within ordinance finds that it is truly and correctly enrolled, and so reports.

Frederick A. Kilmer,
L. Herbert Huntley,
John N. Ball,
Committee.

In Board of Aldermen, Feb. 23, 1898. Passed to be ordained.

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Alvin A. Perry, Mayor

Attest, George S. Vincent, Clerk

Feb. 24, 1898. Approved, Alvin A. Perry, Mayor

Adjourned,

Attest,

George S. Vincent

Clerk.

Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen called by the Mayor to draw jurors, and to transact any other business that might come before the board, all of the members having been duly notified in writing.—
City Hall, Somerville, March 4, 1898—8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved.

√ Order

Received from the Common Council the order making appropriations for the expenses of the current year — which order was amended by the board and returned to the Common Council February 23rd — endorsed as follows:—

In Common Council, February 23, 1898, Adhered to former action. Sent up for concurrence. Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

√ Committee of Conference

The said order was accompanied by a request from the Common Council for the appointment of a committee of conference to confer with a similar committee consisting of Councilmen Story, Grimmons and Berry, appointed by the Common Council, upon the items in said order upon which the two branches disagree.

Request for committee of conference acceded to and Aldermen Ball, Kilmer and Tarbox appointed as such committee, on the part of this board.

√ Reports

Received the reports for the month of February, of the Chief of Police and Superintendent of Electric Lines.
Placed on file.

√ Communication

Received a communication from the City Government Publishing Company, soliciting subscriptions for the publication known as "City Government," — and giving reasons why it would be beneficial

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to the city if furnished to the various city officials

Referred to Committee on Printing and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, March 9, Reference concurred in

Received petitions, - each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee - that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors, -
George A. Grover, Clyde E. Scott, C. Raymond Spinney,
all approved by the Chief of Police.
Licenses granted. — Petitions ✓

Received a petition from Bartholomew E. Grady for a license to give a cake-walk, concert and dance entertainment in Odd Fellows Hall, Broadway, Monday evening, April 18;
recommended by the Chief of Police.
License granted. — Petition ✓

Received a petition from Thomas P. Mortimer for a license as a common victualler at #91 Marshall street.
Referred to Committee on Licenses — Petition ✓ see page 682

Received petitions from - — Petitions ✓

Michael J. Collins and Benjamin A. Hanx of 117 & 119 Boston St., Boston for permission to blast rock in the lots 58 to 65, inclusive, on the southwesterly side of Weston avenue, for the purpose of obtaining stone for building purposes;

Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to remove an electric light pole from Florence street, between Pearl and Pinckney St.

Somerville Electric Light Co., for locations for three (3) poles on Browning Road

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. of Massachusetts, for permission to erect one pole on Walnut street at the southwesterly corner of Giles Park, and to remove the pole now standing on Walnut street at the northwesterly corner of Giles Park;

West End Street Railway Co. for locations as per plan submitted, for a

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double track in Bow and Summer streets from Union Square to Central street; also for locations in the same streets between the points named, for a double track in Bow street and a single track with turnouts, etc. in Summer street; the petition being alternative, so that if one be granted the other should be refused, the preference of the company being for a double track throughout;

✓ West End Street Railway Co. for relocations for tracks and curves in Union square, and in the parts of Washington street, Somerville avenue, Webster avenue and Bow street, immediately adjacent to Union square, as per plans submitted;

✓ J. C. Joseph Flamand and others, for edgestones on the southwesterly side of Albion street from Central street to Lowell street;

✓ Edward Colliton, for a stone curbing and a brick sidewalk in front of his house on Allen street, (about 90 feet) the petitioner to furnish the curbing and bricks;

✓ S. A. Davis and Charles Cooper, that the sidewalk on the south side of Sargent avenue, from #6 to #22, be paved;

✓ Daniel B. Spaulding and others, that the sidewalks on Springfield street be laid with bricks

Referred to Committee on Highways

✓ Petitions

Received petitions from,-

✓ Joseph A. White and others, that Hudson street be macadamized from Lowell street to Cedar street;

✓ William Bryant and others, that Webster avenue from the Cambridge line to the Fitchburg Railroad be thoroughly repaired and placed in good condition;

✓ Alexander Dunne and others for a crossing on Newton street on the south side of the Fitchburg railroad, from near the corner of Webster avenue to near the gateman's house;

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 9, References concurred in.

✓ Petition

Received a petition from Willard C. Kinsley Post No. 139 G.A.R.

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for an appropriation of $400.00 to defray the usual expenses of the annual Day.

Referred to Committee on Finance and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council March 9, Reference concurred in.

Received a notice from A. J. Davenport of 26 Jenny Lind avenue, Somerville, of his claim for damages for injuries to horse and damage to sleigh, caused by the overturning of the sleigh on the night of February 3rd, 1895, on Broadway, East Somerville, caused by the snow being piled up on the side of the street railway tracks, the horse running away and its leg being cut.
Received by the city clerk, March 1st. — Notice ✓

Referred to Committee on Claims and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 9, Reference concurred in.

Received a venire for the drawing of thirty men to serve as traverse jurors, at the Superior Court to be holden at Cambridge on the second Monday of March current, the men so drawn to be summoned to appear and attend said Court on Monday, March 11, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. — Jurors ✓

By direction of the Mayor, the City Messenger passed the box to Alderman Cummings, who drew therefrom and read aloud the names of Walter H. Hadley, Waldo B. Hayward and O. Henry Harrison.

The slips bearing the names so drawn were given by the messenger to the mayor, who verified the names by reading them aloud from said slips, which were then passed to the city clerk, who also read the said names aloud therefrom, and after endorsing the slips, returned them to the proper compartment of the jury box.

The Committee on Licenses, on the petition of Edward Courtney for a license as an auctioneer, reported leave to withdraw. Accepted. — Report ✓

Alderman Talbot offered the following order:— — Order ✓

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Ordered -

That the license to sell newspapers granted by this board to James B Ball, January 12th, be, and the same hereby is, revoked, the said licensee having surrendered his badge and license

Adopted

✓ Order

Alderman Tasker offered the following order, -

Ordered -

That, in pursuance of Section three of Chapter one of the Revised Ordinances of 1891, the city clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to cause publication of ordinance No 77, entitled, - "An Ordinance to amend Section Three of Chapter Four of the Revised Ordinances of 1891," to be made in one issue of the Louisville Citizen; the expense incurred to be charged to Printing and Stationery account.

Read twice, and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council March 9. Read twice, and adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor, March 11, 1895.

Adjourned

Attest

George S Vincent

Clerk

(see page 679)

✓ Petition

Received a petition from the American Tube Works that catch-basins be placed in Fort avenue, one at each side, and near the entrance of the works of said company

Referred to Committee on Sewers

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville, March 9, 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor Mayor Perry presiding
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present
Records approved.

His Honor the Mayor announced, in a fitting manner, the death of John S. Hayes, Librarian of the Somerville Public Library, and for many years before holding that position, principal of the Forster Grammar School, his death having occurred at his late residence, No. 52 Dartmouth Street, Monday, March 7th. The mayor stated that the funeral of Mr. Hayes would take place at his late residence, Thursday the 10th inst., at two o'clock P.M., and as a mark of respect and to enable the city officials to attend the funeral, he had directed that the offices at the City Hall be closed at half past one o'clock on that day. The mayor stated that it was desired that a pall-bearer should be selected from the members of the City Council, and he designated Alderman Lamont to serve in that capacity.

Death of John S. Hayes, Librarian of Public Library.

Alderman Lamont offered the following order:-

Ordered:-

That a joint special committee, consisting of two aldermen and such members of the common council as may be joined, be appointed to prepare a draft of resolutions on the death of the late Librarian, John S. Hayes.

Adopted and Aldermen Lamont and Ball appointed to the committee on the part of this board. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 9, Adopted in concurrence and Councilmen Burrows, Perry and Story appointed on the part of this branch.

The Committee appointed under the foregoing order, to draft resolutions on the death of the late John S. Hayes, reported resolutions as hereinafter recorded.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 9, Accepted in concurrence.

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The resolutions submitted with the foregoing report are as follows:-

Whereas in the course of human events and in the all wise providence of our Heavenly Father, He has removed from among us by death, one who has been intimately and lovingly associated with us as a friend, and with the affairs of our beloved city in official capacity for many years, first as an honored and efficient educator of our children in one of our large public schools, then for the past five years as the exceptional librarian of our public library; be it therefore

Resolved:- that by the death of John L Kaye the City of Somerville has lost an capable, conscientious and painstaking official, and a loyal and true friend

Resolved:- that our City Council express to the bereaved family our sincere sympathy in their sore, deep sorrow, and commend them to Him who has said "I will not leave you comfortless"

Resolved:- that a copy of these resolutions properly engrossed be sent to the bereaved family, and that the resolutions be spread upon the records of our city, and be printed in the Somerville Journal.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, March 9 Read twice and adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor, March 10, 1895.

√ Communication from Mayor

His Honor, the Mayor presented the following communication:

City of Somerville, Mass.
Mayor's Office
March 9th, 1895

To The City Council of Somerville
Gentlemen:-

It becomes my duty to call your attention to the indecent character of some of the theatre posters which have been displayed of late along the streets and on the public squares of this city, and to suggest that steps be taken to prevent future exhibitions of a similar nature. On several occasions during the last few months, I have seen on bill-boards in Gilman Square and on Somerville avenue, and in a few other sections of the city, advertising placards of the most disgusting character. Such pictures serve no worthy purpose. They violate every canon of good

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taste, pander to morbid impulses, and are calculated to poison the minds of the young.

I have spent many pleasant hours at the theatre, and have no desire to interfere with any legitimate method of advertising which the managers of our play-houses may adopt; but it seems wholly unnecessary and improper to deface our streets and public squares with pictures which are suggestive only of nastiness. In many cases the indecency of the placard is enhanced by inscriptions and mottoes of vulgar import.

I am not disposed to make any attack upon the portrayal of the nude, or practically nude, human body in proper places and under suitable conditions. On the contrary, I have a high admiration of those masterpieces of art, exhibited in our great metropolitan galleries, which reveal in marble and on canvas the matchless grace and beauty of the human form. But the highly colored caricatures of the female body, displayed on some of the bill-boards of the city, are a travesty of art. They stand for nothing but obscenity, and appeal only to prurient tastes. In the name of American womanhood which is insulted by such indecent exhibitions, and on behalf of our boys and girls who are entitled to moral protection at our hands, I ask for such legislation by your honorable body as shall prevent further public displays of these shame-provoking pictures.

This very week I have received a letter from one of our leading clergymen, earnestly protesting against these obscene placards, and I am sure that right-minded people throughout the city will approve of prompt and decisive action on your part.

Permit me to recommend that the committee on ordinances be requested to report an ordinance, to be drafted under the direction of the city solicitor, providing for a reasonable censorship of placards and posters, and affixing penalties for its violation. If legal objections to such legislation are disclosed, the solicitor may be able to suggest some other course of procedure which will mitigate a rapidly growing evil in our city.

Let it be distinctly understood that my strictures relate to comparatively few of the placards displayed upon public bill-boards. Most of the posters are, in my opinion, reasonably free from objection.

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I should not trouble your honorable board with this matter, if it were not that the provisions of the general law, relative to the printing and publishing of obscene and indecent pictures, do not afford a speedy and certain remedy for abuses of the nature herein mentioned.

Respectfully submitted

Albion A. Perry,

Mayor.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 9, Referred to Committee on Ordinances in concurrence.

√ Appointment — His Honor, the Mayor appointed, subject to confirmation by the board, Clarence Tucker, as a constable.

Action by the Board deferred, under the rules, until the next regular meeting.

√ Petition — Received a petition from the Citizens' Committee on Charter Revision - Samuel C. Darling, President and Howard D. Moore, Secretary - for the use of the Mayor and Aldermen's Chamber, Thursday evening, March 10th, at which time and place the committee may have a further opportunity to meet the City Council of the city, as also our representatives in the General Court, and others, for conference upon the draft of a new charter for the City of Somerville, now before the Committee on Cities of said General Court.

Request granted. Sent down for information.

In Common Council March 9. Read for information.

√ Petitions — Received petitions - each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee - that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors -

Frank G. De Wick, William H. Pearson and George G. Smith, all approved by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

√ Petition — Received a petition from Henry H. Freeze, for permission to erect

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a stable for one horse and carriage on his land at #59 Hudson Street.

Clerk instructed to transmit the petition to the Board of Health to which board it should have been addressed, the board of aldermen having no jurisdiction in the matter.

Received petitions from,— Petitions ✓

George Heintz and others, for a catch-basin at the corner of Benton avenue and Hudson street;

Frederick McKibbin, for a catch-basin at the corner of Broadway and Adams street;

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Received a petition from P. Norton Mockler and others, for edgestones and a gravel sidewalk on the southeasterly side of Hancock street; also for a catch-basin on the same side of Hancock street near Elm street. Petitions ✓

Part concerning catch-basin referred to Committee on Sewers; part concerning edgestones, referred to Committee on Highways.

Received petitions from,— Petitions ✓

Harriet P. Tibbetts, for permission to move a small maple tree, standing in front of No. 31 Bradley St. from the middle to one side of the driveway;

James M. Robinson and others, for brick sidewalks on both sides of Hudson street from Central street to Lowell street;

Francis H. Valentine and others, for brick sidewalks, 6 2/3 feet in width on both sides of Kiner street from Ames street to Vernon street;

Edward B. Ladd and others, for brick sidewalks on both sides of Tennyson street from Forster street to Medford street;

Also a remonstrance from Charles Hazen Brown against the granting of the petition for a brick sidewalk on Tennyson street, for sundry reasons as stated in the remonstrance;

Referred to Committee on Highways.

Received petitions from,— Petitions ✓

W. J. Lamb and others, for two crosse-walks,— one across Elm street at

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Peach street, North Cambridge, and the other across St. James avenue at Elm street;

E. F. Parker and others for a crossing on Medford street at the southeasterly side of Tennyson street;

Mathews de Souza Borges and others that Columbia street may be graded and repaired, it never having been levelled since the laying of the water and sewer pipes by the city, in 1897;

Referred to Committee on Highways, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 9, Reference concurred in.

✓ Petitions

Received petitions from:—

Harris P. Tibbetts and Frank H. Holmes for an arc light at the corner of Bradley and Vezzie streets;

Franklin M. Peavey and others for a street light at the foot of Joy St. Place and another at the corner of Joy St. Place and Joy street;

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 9, Reference concurred in.

✓ Petition

Received a petition from Thomas F. McNamara and others for a fire-alarm box at the corner of Dane and Village streets.

Referred to Committee on Electric Lines, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 9, Reference concurred in.

✓ Notice of Suit

Received a writ of injunction against the payment by the city to any person other than the complainant, William H. Staples of Lowell, of the sum of four thousand dollars, being the balance due on a contract for building the Hanscom school in this city; together with a summons to appear before the Superior Court at Cambridge, on the first Monday of May next, and answer to a bill of complaint exhibited against the city in said Court by the said William H. Staples. (Received by the city clerk, March 9.)

Placed in hands of City Solicitor, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 9, Placed in hands of City Solicitor in concurrence.

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Received a summons to appear before the Superior Court at Cambridge, on the first Monday of April next, and answer to Joseph Gratz, of Cambridge, in an action of tort to the damage of the plaintiff, as the writ, the sum of three thousand dollars. (Received by the city clerk, March 9.)		Notice of Suit ✓
Placed in hands of City Solicitor and sent down for concurrence.		
In Common Council, March 9. Read in hands of City Solicitor in concurrence.		
Received a petition from Hiram A. Blany for permission to remove a wooden building, 21½ feet in length, 16 feet in breadth, and 22 feet in extreme height, from the southwesterly side of Broadway (No. 35), through Broadway to land between the buildings numbered respectively 46 & 50 on Broadway; certified by the Supt. of Streets, and the Supt. of Electric Light, that the statement in the petition as to construction and measurement is substantially correct, and in their opinion the proposed removal can be made without injury to public or private property.		Petition ✓
Placed on file.		
Alderman Lapham offered an order granting permission to Hiram A. Blany to move a wooden building through Broadway, as recorded on page 515 of Volume 1 of the Records of Poles & Wires, Street Railways & Moving Buildings, of the Mayor & Aldermen of the City of Somerville.		Order ✓
Adopted.		
The Committee on Licenses on the petition of Thomas P. Kate now for a license as a common victualler at #91 Marshall street, reported an order.		Report ✓
Accepted.		
The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:-		Order ✓
Ordered:-		
That a license as a Common Victualler under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to the following		

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named party, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
Thomas P. Hartnett	91 Marshall street

Adopted.

√ Report — The Committee on Highways, on the petition of the Somerville Electric Light Company for permission to erect and maintain three poles, for wires on Broadway Road, reported an order.

Accepted.

√ Order — The order accompanying the foregoing report, granting to the Somerville Electric Light Company permission to erect three poles in Broadway Road, as recorded on page 131 of Volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Street Railways and Hoisting Buildings — of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, was

Approved filed Jan. 31, '98

Adopted.

√ Report — The Committee on Highways, in pursuance of an order dated January 26th, submitted the following list of proposals received to furnish such quantities of edgestone and paving stock as may be required by the city during the current year, —

Names of Bidders	Edgestone per lin. foot	Paving per lin. foot	Corners 3 feet each	Granite Flagging per square ft.	Paving Blocks best	Paving Blocks second quality
	$	$	$	$	$	$
A. A. Libby & Co.	0.55	1.00	3.00	0.50	50.00	25.00
Rockport Granite Co.	0.55	0.75	3.00	0.38	57.00	39.00
Lewis D. Grant	0.46	0.69	2.00	0.25	47.00	35.00
Wm. J. McCarthy	0.45	0.60	2.50	0.27½	40.00	26.00
Everett & Gould	0.45	0.65	2.50	0.30	46.00	30.00
Peabody Granite Co.	0.44	0.55	2.85	0.35	47.00	30.00
Ole Anderson	0.42	0.53	2.00	0.27	52.00	43.00
Austin Ford & Son	0.42¾	0.65	2.40	0.31	——	——
J. & R. J. Lombard	0.42	0.56	2.15	0.26	48.00	25.00

and presented an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, March 9, Accepted, in concurrence

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to make a contract with J. and A. J. Lombard, for the furnishing of such quantities of edgestone and paving stock, as may be required during the year, at the prices named in their proposal submitted in said Committee's report of this date.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, March 9, Read twice and adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor, March 11, 1895.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to purchase five horses for the use of the Highway Department, and the said Committee is hereby authorized to dispose of five horses now in use in the department, the expense of purchasing the horses to be charged to Highways Account, and the amount received from said disposal to be credited to Highways account

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, March 9, Read twice and adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor, March 11, 1895.

Alderman Hyatt offered the following order— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Fire Department be, and hereby is, authorized to purchase one horse for the use of the Fire Department at a cost not to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars, the amount so expended to be charged to Fire Department Account;—and the said Committee is also hereby authorized to dispose of one horse now in use in the department, the amount received from said disposal to be credited to Fire Department Account.

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Read twice, and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 9. Read twice, and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, March 11, 1898.

✓ Order

Alderman Huntley offered the following order, –

Ordered, –

That it is hereby adjudged and determined by the city council that certain public ways or streets and portions of public ways or streets (all as particularly specified in the schedule hereto annexed, which is hereby referred to, and made a part of this order) in Somerville shall be widened in the present municipal year, at the expense in part of the abutters thereon.

Ward One

Street	From	To
Arlington	Franklin	Lincoln
Broadway	Charlestown Line	Arlington Line
Brook	Grove	Glen 500 feet
Benedict	Union	Austin
Austin	Broadway	Webster
Ellsworth	Grove	Rush
Flint	Grove	Franklin
Towne	Washington	Perkins
Franklin	Broadway	Washington
Glen	Pearl	Broadway
Lincoln	Broadway	Perkins
Linwood	Washington	Somerville Ave
Medford	Cambridge Line	Medford Line
Mt Vernon	Broadway	Washington
Myrtle	Perkins	Hughes' Ely Line
Myrtle Ave	Charlestown Line	100 feet beyond Austin
Olive	Grove	Franklin
Pearl	Bracket	Gilman Square
Perkins	Franklin	Boston Line
Pinckney	Perkins	Washington
Rush	Broadway	Flint

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Tufts	Cross	Washington	
Union	Broadway	Mystic Ave	
Washington	Charlestown Line	Cambridge Line	
Webster	Franklin	Grove	
	Ward Two		
Streets	From	To	
Beacon	Cambridge Line	Somerville Ave	
Berkeley	School	Central	
Bowdoin Ave	Columbus Ave	Washington	
Boston	Walnut	Sloan's fly line	
Bow	Union Square	Somerville Ave	
Central	Somerville Ave	Medford	
Church	Somerville Ave	Summer	
Columbus Ave	Walnut	dead end	
Concord Ave	Prospect	Line	
Dane	Somerville Ave	Washington	
Dickinson	Springfield	Beacon	
Grand View Ave	Walnut	Vinal Ave	
Greenville	Summer	Medford	
Highland Ave	Medford	Davis Square	
Houghton	Springfield	Park	
Huston	Prospect	Concord Ave	
Norfolk	Webster Ave	Cambridge Line	
Park	Prospect	end of public street	
Park	Somerville Ave	Fitchburg R.R.	
Pearson Ave	Walnut	Vinal Ave	
Prescott	Summer	Highland Ave	
Prospect	Cambridge Line	Washington	
Putnam	Highland Ave	Summer	
Quincy	Somerville Ave	Summer	
School	Somerville Ave	150 ft fly from Entirely	
Somerville Ave	Cambridge Line	Cambridge Line	
Springfield	Concord Ave	Cambridge Line	
Summit Ave	Walnut	Vinal Ave	
Union Square			

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Vinal Ave	Highland Ave	Summer
Walnut	Highland Ave	Bow
Warren Ave	Columbus Ave	Bow
Webster Ave	Union Square	Cambridge Line
	Hard Pave	
Street	From	To
Adams	Broadway	Medford
Albion	Central	Lowell
Aldrich	Pearl	Gilman
Ames	Bartlett	Robinson
Arthur	Broadway	Bonair
Bonair	Walnut	Arthur
Central	Broadway	Foster
Chauncy Ave	Broadway	Ally 575 feet
Cross	Broadway	Medford
Dana	Berkeley	Pearl
Dartmouth	Broadway	Medford
Everett Ave	Cross	Dana
Evergreen Ave	Marshall	Houston
Flint	Cross	Aldrich
Gilman	Cross	Walnut
Gilman Square		
Hudson	Central	Cedar
Jaques	Temple	Chauncy Ave
Kadish	School	Sycamore
Main	Broadway	Medford Line
Marshall	Broadway	Pearl
Mills	Walnut	Sargent Ave
Montrose	School	Sycamore
Oakland Ave	Marshall	School
Sargent Ave	Broadway	Mills
School	Highland Ave	Broadway
Shawmut	Medford	Cross
Sidney Ave	School	Marshall
Sycamore	Broadway	Medford

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Temple	Broadway	City line Dorey 800 ft.
Thurston	Broadway	Sanford
Vernon	Central westerly 170 feet	
Walnut	Broadway	Pearl
Wheatland	Broadway	Jaques

Ward Four

Street	From	To
Appleton	Willow Ave	Clifton
Cedar	Elm	Hudson
Cedar	Arlington branch B & M.A.A.	Warwick
Cherry	Elm	Highland Ave
Chester	Cambridge Line	Elm
Day	Cambridge Line	Elm
Davis Square		
Dover	Cambridge Line	Davis Square
Elm	Somerville Ave	Powder House Square
Gibbons	Central	Benton Ave
Grove	Highland Ave	Elm
Harrison	Kent	Swallow
Holland	B & M.A.A.	Broadway
Irving	Broadway	Holland
Junior	Park	Beacon
Kingston	Cambridge Line	Macham
Macham	Cambridge Line	dead end
Morrison	Elm	Willow Ave
Moreland	Somerville Ave	Elm
Orchard	Macham	Russell
Russell	Elm	Cambridge Line
Spring	Somerville Ave	Pitman
Summer	Bow	Cutter Square
Westwood Road	Central	Benton Ave
Willow Ave	Elm	B & M.A.A.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council March 9. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

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Approved by the Mayor, March 9, 1898

✓ Order

Alderman Huntley offered the following order, –

Ordered:–

That, whereas by an order, dated March 9, 1898, and adopted by the board of mayor and aldermen, March 9, 1898, and by the common council March 9, 1898, and approved by the mayor March 9, 1898, (all the above being done, and completed prior to the offering and passage of this order) to which said first, second, order, and the schedule therein referred, is hereby made, as a part hereof, it was adjudged, and determined that certain public ways, or streets, and portions of public ways or streets, all as particularly specified in said schedule, should be watered in the present municipal year, at the expense in part of the abutters thereon,

Now, Therefore, it is hereby Adjudged, Estimated, and Determined by the board of aldermen, as follows, namely: the expense of the watering of said streets, and portions of streets, as in said schedule specified, for the present municipal year, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, is estimated and determined to be the sum of sixteen thousand dollars, the proportion of such expense to be borne by abutters upon such streets and portions of streets is estimated and determined to be seventy-eight per cent, the rate to be assessed upon each linear foot of frontage of estates upon such streets and portions of streets is estimated and determined to be four cents.

That the expense determined, as aforesaid, of such watering to be borne by the abutters shall be assessed in the manner hereinafter provided upon the estates abutting on said streets and portions of streets in proportion to the number of linear feet of each estate upon said streets and portions of streets watered.

That the amount of such assessments upon each such estate shall be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions, and according to the law in such cases made and provided, by Albert B. Fole, he being the clerk of the assessors of taxes, and he is hereby designated as the officer to determine the amount aforesaid, and he shall forthwith make or cause to be made a list of said streets and portions of streets, which the city has determined shall be watered as aforesaid, which list shall specify each estate abutting upon each such street or portion of a street, the number of linear feet of each such estate upon each such street or portion of a street, the amount

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for such linear foot of the assessment authorized as aforesaid, and the amount of such assessment on each such estate, and shall certify and commit said list to the board of assessors of taxes of the city.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, March 11, 1895.

I, Albert B. Fales, do solemnly swear that I will faithfully perform the duties incumbent on me under the foregoing order. So help me God.

Albert B. Fales

Middlesex, ss. Somerville, March 11, 1895.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

George A. Kimball

Justice of the Peace

The Committee on Water, in pursuance of an order dated January 19, submitted the following list of firehydrants received to furnish for each watering cart, a pair of horses and harness with a driver, and to do the work of watering the streets of the city for the season of 1895, the prices given being for one pair of horses and harness, with a driver. Report ✓

Name of bidder	Number of carts	Price per month
Otis Anderson	one	$ 75.00
A. A. A. Benson	one	75.00
Edward Blake	one, two or three	75.00
Frank Bullinger	three	75.00
Thos. F. Carey (62 Linwood)	three	70.00
Thos. F. Carey (155 Linwood)	one, two or three	70.00
T. F. Cummings	one, two or three	75.00
J. F. Elkins	two or three	70.00
Richard Faloy	one	90.00
James H. Fanning	one, two or three	90.00
Martin Hill	two or three	75.00
Eugene Gormley	one or three	70.00
Geo. Henry Gray	one	70.00
Timothy F. Lynch	one, two or three	65.00
Henry J. McAuley	three	69.00

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Henry J. McAvoy, Jr.	two	$ 70.00
Wm J. McGlenny	two	75.00
Philip McGovern	two	69.00
George F. McKenna	one or two	75.00
A. M. Prescott	two	75.00
Bartholomew J. Reardon	one	80.00
P. F. Reardon	one	80.00
J. B. Ryder	two	80.00
Clifton P. Sanborn	one	75.00
I. L. Smith	two	75.00
A. M. Sturtevant	two	80.00
Benjamin Thomas	one	75.00

and the committee recommended that all of the said proposals be rejected, and presented an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 9, Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Gates be, and it hereby is authorized to make a contract with each of the following named parties for the watering of the streets of the city for the season of 1898; the contract to include the furnishing of a driver and pair of horses and harnesses for each cart, the streets to be watered every day when necessary, including Sundays and holidays:-

Name of contractor	Number of carts	Price per month
Frank Buttimer	two @	$ 70.00
Thos. F. Casey (62 Linwood)	one @	70.00
T. F. Crimmings	one @	70.00
J. F. Elkins	two @	70.00
Martin Gill	two @	70.00
Eugene Gormley	two @	70.00
Mrs Henry Gray	one @	70.00
Henry McAvoy	two @	70.00
Henry McAvoy, Jr.	one @	70.00
Philip McGovern	one @	70.00

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I. M. Prescott	two @	70.00	
J. B. Rufer	two @	70.00	
Clifton P. Sanborn	one @	70.00	
I. L. Smith	one @	70.00	
R. M. Sturtevant	one @	70.00	
Benjamin Thomas	one @	70.00	

Read twice. Adopted by a yea and nay vote; Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Talbot, Cummings, and Ball - 5, voting in the affirmative, and Aldermen Davlin, Lamont and Kilmer - 3, in the negative. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 9, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, March 11, 1898

Aldermen Huntley offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That section eleven of chapter four hundred and eighty-one of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-four of the General Court of Massachusetts, relating to the regulation and inspection of buildings, be, and the same is hereby adopted and accepted by the City of Somerville.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 9, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, March 14, 1898

The Committee on Ordinances, on an order dated February 28rd to report a draft of an ordinance amending Chapter 10 of the Revised Ordinances of 1891, entitled "City Physician," reported an ordinance as directed. — Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 9, Accepted in concurrence.

The ordinance accompanying the foregoing report, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter Ten of the Revised Ordinances of 1891" was — Ordinance ✓

Read twice and passed to be enrolled. Sent down for concurrence.

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✓ Report

Received from the Common Council the following report,-

To the City Council
of Somerville,-

The Committee of Conference, to which was referred the order making the Annual Appropriations for the current year, recommend that the appropriations be as recommended by the Committee on Finance and accepted by the City Council, with the following exceptions,-

Appropriation for Street Lights $43,000.00
Appropriation for Sidewalks 12,000.00

Isaac M. Mory
Charles A. Grimmons
Arthur H. Perry
} Committee on part of Common Council

John A. Ball
Frederick M. Kilmer
French A. J. Tarbox
} Committee on part of Board of Aldermen

In Common Council, March 9,
Accepted and sent up for concurrence
In Board of Aldermen March 9, Acceptance lost

✓ Order

On the order making appropriations for the expenses of the current year, which was adopted by this board February 23rd and to which the report of the Committee of Conference, above recorded, relates on motion of Alderman Kilmer, it was voted that further consideration be indefinitely postponed, and information of such action was sent to the Common Council

✓ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order -

— City of Somerville —

Order making appropriations to defray the current expenses of the city and also for the state and county taxes for the year 1895, laying a specific tax to provide, in part, for the payment of the same, and authorizing the collection of interest on non-payment of taxes

In Common Council,
March 9, 1895

Ordered:-

That for the purpose of defraying the current expenses of the

city for the financial year 1895, the following named sums of money be, and they are hereby respectively appropriated to the accounts, and for the objects and purposes as hereinafter explained, and the several items of salaries agreed to by the City Council in pursuance of the report of the Committee on Finance, are hereby fixed and included in the respective appropriations named, that is to say, -

Electrical Department, Sixty-four hundred dollars	$6,400.00
Engineering Department, Nine thousand dollars	9,000.00
Extra and Deficiency, Eighty-four hundred dollars	8,400.00
Fire Department, Fifty-six thousand dollars	56,000.00
Health Department, Twenty thousand dollars	20,000.00
Highways, Sixty-five thousand dollars	65,000.00
Indigent Soldiers and Sailors, Four hundred dollars	400.00
Interest, Eighty thousand dollars	80,000.00
Miscellaneous, Nine thousand dollars	9,000.00
Police, Forty-eight thousand five hundred dollars	48,500.00
Police Station Incidentals, Two thousand dollars	2,000.00
Printing and Stationery, Six thousand five hundred dollars	6,500.00
Public Grounds, Six thousand dollars	6,000.00
Public Library, Seven thousand five hundred dollars	7,500.00
Relief and Burial of Indigent Soldiers and Sailors, Nine thousand dollars	9,000.00
Reduction of Funded Debt, One hundred fifty-five thousand two hundred dollars	155,200.00
Salaries, Eight thousand dollars	8,000.00
School Contingent, Eighteen thousand dollars	18,000.00
School Contingent, (Janitors' Salaries) Seventeen thousand dollars	17,000.00
School Fuel, Ten thousand dollars	10,000.00
Schoolhouse Incidentals, Seventeen thousand dollars	17,000.00
School Teachers' Salaries, One hundred ninety thousand dollars	190,000.00
Sewers, Maintenance, Seven thousand dollars	7,000.00
Sidewalks, Ten thousand dollars	10,000.00
Street Lights, Forty-five thousand dollars	45,000.00
Support of Poor, Twenty thousand dollars	20,000.00
Watering Streets, Three thousand five hundred dollars	3,500.00
Amounting in the aggregate to	$834,400.00

State of Massachusetts, (State Tax)

Such sum as has been, or may be assessed by the General Court of the State, as the city's portion of a state tax for the year 1895.

State of Massachusetts, (Metropolitan Sewer)

Such sum as has been, or may be assessed for the maintenance and construction of the Metropolitan Sewer.

State of Massachusetts, (Non-resident Bank Stock)

Such sums as may be assessed on non-resident bank stock.

County of Middlesex,

Such sum as has been, or may be, assessed as the city's portion of a county tax for the year 1895.

Overlay and Abatement,

Such sums as the Assessors may add to the whole amount of taxes to be assessed,

as fractional divisions for convenience in the apportionment.
and it is further

Ordered -

That the aforesaid sum of eight hundred thirty-four thousand four hundred dollars and the sums which will be required for state and county taxes and as fractional divisions be raised on the polls, property and estates taxable in this city according to the provisions of law
and it is further

Ordered -

That interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum shall be charged from the thirty-first day of October upon all taxes to be assessed the current year, which shall remain unpaid on the fifteenth day of November, until the same shall be paid, which interest shall be added to, and be considered a part of such taxes
and it is further

Ordered -

That in addition to the sums hereinbefore specified, which are to be raised by taxation, appropriations be, and they are hereby made as follows: - for

Public Library,

the sums received from the County Treasurer as the city's part of the fees for dog licenses.

Salaries.

the sums received from the state for corporation and bank taxes. And from the income received from the Water Works, the following appropriations: -

Water Maintenance, sixty thousand dollars	$60,000.00
Water Loan Interest, eleven thousand nine hundred twenty-five dollars	11,925.00
Reduction of Funded Debt, twenty-two thousand dollars	22,000.00
State of Massachusetts (Metropolitan Water Assessments) the amount of the assessment of the city to be paid to the Treasurer of the Commonwealth for the year 1898, as provided in chapter 485 of the Acts of 1895.	
Water Works Extension, twenty thousand dollars	20,000.00
Sewer Construction (To provide for the construction of Storm Water Drains) Such sum as may be received as the income from the Water Works in excess of the amounts herein appropriated and provided for.	

and it is further

Ordered: -

That for the purpose of providing for the payment of the current expenses of the city, a temporary loan in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year be procured and the City Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow, from time to time, a sum or sums in the aggregate amounting to seven hundred thousand dollars and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the city therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made, with interest thereon.

The said debt or debts, incurred by a loan so loaned to the city under this order, are to be paid from the said taxes of the present municipal year.

In Common Council, March 9. Received its first reading, and, under a suspension of the rules, its second reading and final passage by unanimous yea and nay vote. Sent up for concurrence.

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In Board of Aldermen, March 9. Received its first reading and, under a suspension of the rules, its second reading and final passage by unanimous yea and nay vote, no concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, March 11, 1898

Adjourned.

Attest.

George B Vincent, Clerk

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Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville, March 16, 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Parker, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved.

His Honor, the Mayor made the following appointments, subject to confirmation by the board, — Appointments ✓
Frederick C. Fuller, Inspector of Buildings
Edward Backus, Superintendent of Electric Lines and Lights
Charles M. Berry, Inspector of Animals and Provisions
John H. Dusseault, Sealer of Weights and Measures
Fulton O'Brien, Public Weigher, in charge of city scales, Union Square
Charles P. Lincoln, Registrar of Voters for term of three years, beginning May 1, 1898.
Rules suspended and appointments confirmed.

Received the report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for the month of February. — Report ✓
Read, and sent down for information.
In Common Council March 17. Read for information.

Received from the State Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, a report of the findings of said board on the petition by the Mayor of this city, pursuant to an order of the City Council, for an equitable adjustment of the price of electric street lights in the city, and for such action as may be proper, tending toward the improvement of the quality of said lights. — Report ✓

The report alluded to the facts presented and statements made at the hearing given by the board in the City Hall in December last, sketched the history of the company, and its dealings with the city, and, in effect, expressed the opinion that the business of the company had been intelligently and economically managed, and that the price charged the city was not excessive in view of the amount of capital which had been

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invested, and the expense which had been incurred by the company. The board considered that although today the plant could be established for less money than it had cost the company, because of the advance which had been made in the art of electric lighting during the company's existence, yet it was only fair that the company should earn a moderate income on the full amount which it had expended in establishing and carrying on the business. The report ended with a copy of a vote passed by the board, as follows:—

Voted, that the Board recommends that the price to be charged the City of Somerville, from and after the first day of October last, by the Somerville Electric Light Company for arc and incandescent street lights operated substantially the same number of hours per month as heretofore be not more than one hundred and ten dollars ($110) per year for each arc light of nominal twelve hundred candle-power and twenty-five dollars ($25) per year for each incandescent light of nominal twenty-five candle-power.

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, March 17. Read for information.

√ Petitions

Received petitions, each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors:—

Frank J. Robinson, Clyde W. Smith,

both approved by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

√ Petition

Received a petition for a license to collect junk from Max Fishman, of #82 Prospect street, Somerville;

approved by the Chief of Police.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

√ Petition

Received a petition from W. Parker Jones, representing the students at Tufts College, for a license to give a minstrel entertainment in Odd Fellows Hall, Thursday evening, March 17; recommended by the Chief of Police.

License granted.

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Received a petition from Giovanni Di Napoli of #3 Lewis St. Boston, for a license to play a hand-organ in the streets of the city for the year beginning May 1, 1898. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Licenses

Received a petition from R. H. Barton and others, that the boys be prevented from playing ball and polo on Vinal avenue, Alderney street and Summer street, as the playing of these games renders the streets unsafe for public travel. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Police

Received a petition from Samuel D. Richards for permission to build and maintain a projection over a sidewalk as follows:- at No. 44 Broadway, the coving of a bay window to be placed on the George Street side of the building, to project over the sidewalk on George street one foot. — Petition ✓ and

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

Said petition was accompanied by the following order.- — Order of Notice ✓

Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered that notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday the 23rd day of March, 1898, at 8 o'clock P.M., at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, at which time any parties, who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Somerville Journal of the 18th inst.

Adopted.

Received petitions from,- — Petitions ✓

Kate Dondero, for permission to place a swinging shelf in front of her fruit store at 63 Broadway;

Abe Goldstein, for permission to keep a sign, during the daytime only, on the unoccupied part of the sidewalk near the curbstone in front of his shoe store at #324 Broadway;

Ellsworth Fish, that his present permit to "blast rock" on the land bounded northeasterly by Mystic avenue and southeasterly by Temple

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street be extended from May 1, 1895 to May 1, 1899;
Somerville Water Commissioners, for edgestones and a brick sidewalk on Powder street, in front of the lot owned by the city and occupied by the Water Department for its high service stand pipe;
John Herbert and others, for a brick sidewalk on the easterly side of Medford and Pearl streets, between School street and the Masonic Building;
Referred to Committee on Highways.

√ Appointment — The appointment made by the Mayor, March 9th, of Charles Tucker as a constable, was confirmed.

√ Bond — Received the official bond of Charles Tucker, as a constable, in the sum of three thousand dollars, and in the form which has been approved by the City Solicitor, with Francis K. Sweetser of Stoneham, Frank O. Dickerson of Somerville and Samuel H. Tucker of Newton as sureties.
Approved and accepted.

√ Order — Alderman Tenney offered the following order,-
Ordered:-
That the license to sell newspapers, granted by this board on January 28th, 1895, to Charles H. Brown, be and the same hereby is revoked, the licensee having surrendered his badge and license.
Adopted.

√ Order — Alderman Leonard offered the following order,-
Ordered:-
That a convention of the two branches of the city council be held in the common council chamber, Wednesday evening, March 23rd, 1895, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of electing a member, from Ward Three, of the board of overseers of the poor, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Egra D. Sprague.
Adopted, and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, March 17, Adopted in concurrence.

√ Report — The Committee on Highways, to which were referred petitions from the following-named parties for edgestones or brick sidewalks or both, as

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hereinafter stated, namely:—

Lucy P. Douglass and others, edgestones, southwesterly side of Albion street, from Central street to Lowell street;

Edgar G. Evans and others, edgestones, northerly side of Claremont street, from Holland to Mad street;

William E. Denver and others, brick sidewalk, Concord avenue, from O. S. Knapp schoolhouse to Marion street;

Bertha F. D'Arcy and others, edgestones and brick sidewalks, Campbell Park, except in front of the estate of William McDonald, No. 25 Campbell Park, who only wishes edgestones and a gravel sidewalk;

Anthony Stolar and others, brick sidewalk, westerly side of Essex street from Medford street to Richdale avenue;

Howard Lovell and others, brick sidewalk, westerly side of Gilmore street, from Aldrich to Walnut street;

Cutler C. Crowell and others, brick sidewalk, both sides of Hudson street, from Central to Lowell street;

Robert K. Jones and others, brick sidewalk, northerly side of Montrose street, from School to Sycamore street;

Lydia J. Church and others, brick sidewalk, northeasterly side Robinson street, between Central and Bartlett street;

Daniel B. Spaulding and others, brick sidewalks, Springfield street;

Walter C. Mentzer and others, brick sidewalk with edgestones, southwesterly side of Summer street, from Craigie to present brick sidewalk near to and southeast of Cedar street;

Catherine Summers and others, brick sidewalk with edgestones, both sides of Higgleswerth street, from Pearl to Bonair street.

Reported orders of notice for hearings

Cutler C. Crowell and others, brick sidewalk, one or both sides of Hudson street, from Central to Lowell street;

The orders of notice, accompanying the foregoing report, of hearings on the construction of sidewalks in — Orders of Notice

Albion street

Campbell Park

Claremont street

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Concord avenue,
Bean street,
Gilmore street,
Hudson street,
Montrose street,
Robinson street,
Springfield street,
Summer street,
and
Wigglesworth street,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 265, 271, 274, 277, 280, 283, 286, 289, 292, 295 and 298 of volume 13, and page 1 of volume 4, of the Records of Aldermen, Mayors and Committees of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, were

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, March 17, 1895.

✓ Order

Alderman Lamont offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That in view of the decision of the State Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, in relation to the price of electric lighting in this city, the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights is hereby authorized and instructed, to consider the question of a new contract between the City and the Somerville Electric Light Company, ascertaining the best terms and conditions said company is willing to make under a contract for one, two and three years, respectively, and to report their findings, together with such recommendations as they may be pleased to make, to this Board, at its next meeting.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 17, Adopted in concurrence by a yea and nay vote as follows,- Councilmen Kenney, Smith, Thomson, Burns, Burrows, Geary, Berry, Lord, Kind and the President (10) in the affirmative, and Councilmen Osborne, Simmons, and Story (3) in the negative. Absent, or not voting, Councilmen Buchman and Crocker and Foster.

Approved by the Mayor, March 17, 1895

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Adjourned,

Attest,

George S. Vincent

Clerk

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City Hall, Somerville, March 23, 1898, - 8 P.M.

The President, Alderman Ball, presiding
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Caulin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved.

✓ Petition

Received from the Common Council a petition from Augusta L. Stilphen, for a brick sidewalk in front of the premises numbered 31 Lincoln avenue, the bricks to be paid for by the petitioner, and the edgestones being already set.

In Common Council, March 17. Referred to Committee on Highways and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, March 23. Referred to Committee on Highways.

✓ Communication

Received the following communication,-

City of Somerville.

In Board of Registrars of Voters
March 22, 1898.

To the Honorable the Mayor
and the Board of Aldermen,

Gentlemen:-

In compliance with the requirements of chapter 515 of the Acts of the year 1897, this board has prepared a jury list which, having been posted in public places in the city more than ten days, is herewith transmitted for your revision and acceptance.

The law referred to provides that the list shall include not less than one for every hundred nor more than one for every sixty inhabitants of the city, computing by the last census. As the population of the city, according to the last census, was 52,200, the list must contain not less than 522 nor more than 870 names. The actual number of names on the list is 713.

Respectfully,
Cromwell G. Rowell } Board of

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George S. Sincerit } Registrars
Charles P. Lincoln } of
Chas. E. Parks } Voters

Placed on file

The jury list transmitted with the foregoing communication is recorded on pages 140 to 143, inclusive, of the Records of the Registrars of Voters of the City of Somerville. — Jury List ✓

(see order passed this evening)

Received an invitation from the Central Club Association to be present at a reception to be given to Commander J. F. Kerr, U.S.N. at the Club House, Monday, March 28, 1898, at 8 o'clock P.M. — Invitation ✓

Invitation accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 23, Invitation accepted in concurrence.

Received petitions, - each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, - that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors, - — Petitions ✓

Waldo E. Dodge,
William B. Gillett,
recommended by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

Received a petition from A. A. Stone, for a license to give a dramatic - Uncle Tom's Cabin - entertainment, in Union Hall, Bow street, Saturday afternoon and evening, March 19th; recommended by the Chief of Police, approved by the Mayor and license issued by the City Clerk. — Petition ✓

Issuing of license approved.

Received a petition from Frank H. Greenwood, for a license to give a variety and cake walk entertainment and dance in Bacon Hall, Wednesday evening, March 30th, recommended by the Chief of Police. — Petition ✓

Licence granted.

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√ Petition	Received a petition from George S. Cahill of #10 Holland street for appointment as a constable and for a license as an auctioneer. Part concerning appointment as constable referred to the Mayor and part concerning license as an auctioneer, referred to Committee on Licenses.
√ Petitions	Received petitions from —
	Jacob Demont, that his license as a common victualler may hereafter apply to the premises numbers 178 and 180 Somerville avenue, to which he is moving his business, instead of the premises No. 145 Somerville avenue, which he is about to vacate.
	Miss Lillian A. McKenney for a license as a common victualler at #211 Washington street.
	Charles H. Crane for a sixth class liquor license at his apothecary store, #154 Perkins street.
	Arthur B. Grover for a sixth class liquor license at his apothecary store, #146 Cross street.
	George E. Grover for a sixth class liquor license at his apothecary store, #146 Broadway.
	Referred to Committee on Licenses.
√ Petition	Received a petition from Harrison G. O. Powers for permission to extend an 8-inch drain about 120 feet on his land situated on Elm street opposite Cross street, the drain to connect with houses to be built in the rear of numbers 226-228-232 and 234 Elm street.
	Referred to Committee on Sewers.
√ Petition	Received a petition from Frank Jones and George H. Goodwin trustees, for permission to lay a railway track at grade over and upon Cross street, to be operated by steam power, at a point near Blakely avenue, for the purpose of delivering earth or filling for the raising of the grade of that part of their property bounded by Cross street, Blakely avenue, Winthrop avenue and Mystic avenue. Attached to the petition was a plan showing the proposed railway track across Cross street.
	Placed on file.

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Received petitions from,— | Petitions ✓

Mrs Sophia Sheslin, that two trees on Dane street, at the corner of Washington street, which hang over her house, be removed, as they are destroying her property,

Aaron Sargent, "trustee", and James M. Burcker, for the completion of the brick sidewalk on the southeasterly side of Sargent avenue,

Quincy G. Hall and others, for edgestones on the southerly side of Concord avenue from Springfield street to Loom street;

Referred to Committee on Highways.

Received a petition from Henry H. P. Colson, for a crosswalk, across Highland avenue at the easterly corner of Vinal avenue. | Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 23, Reference concurred in.

Received from the Common Council, a petition from Dudley L. Stevens and others, for brick sidewalks on both sides of Francesca avenue. | Petition ✓

In Common Council, March 23, Referred to Committee on Highways and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, March 23, Referred to Committee on Highways.

Received a petition from the Boston and Maine Railroad and others, that immediate action be taken whereby our local military company may be provided with suitable quarters as required by law, for the purpose of drilling and care and safety of government property. | Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Finance and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 23, Reference concurred in.

Received petitions from,— | Petitions ✓

Henry H. P. Colson that an incandescent light be maintained by the city in Spring Hill Terrace,

Frank C. Dowd and others, for an electric light on Wheatland street between Broadway and Jaques street.

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Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 20, References concurred in.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from,—

Francis A. Lewis and others, that Avon street from Central street to School street be watered during the current season;

Henry H. P. Colson that College avenue may be watered during the current year;

Referred to Committee on Water, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 20, References concurred in.

√ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,—

A jury list prepared by the board of registrars of votes of this city, under the provisions of chapter 515 of the Acts of the year 1897, having been received by this board from said board of registrars this evening, after said list, as certified by said board of registrars, had been posted in public places in the city more than ten days,— and none of the names on said list, so far as is known to this board, coming within the provisions of said act which authorize this board to strike names from said list, and the said list containing the number of names required by law,— it is therefore hereby

Ordered.—

That the said jury list be and the same hereby is accepted; and the city clerk is hereby directed to cause the names on said list to be prepared on separate papers or ballots in the manner specified in said act, and present the same to this board at its next meeting.

Adopted.

√ Order

Alderman Tasbox offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That the license granted by this board to Charles L. Abbott to sell newspapers, be, and the same hereby is revoked; the said licensee having surrendered his badge and license.

Adopted.

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on the petition of the Goldstein, for permission to place a portable sign in the day time on the unbarrelled part of the sidewalk in front of #324 Broadway, reported leave to withdraw;

on the petition of Lyllus B. Pillsbury, for permission to place a sign on the sidewalk in front of #316 Broadway, reported leave to withdraw;

Accepted.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order, - Order ✓

Ordered: -

That the permission granted by an order of the Board of Aldermen, dated February 9, 1895, to A. J. Ball and Son, to display a folding sign-board in front of their building 322 Broadway, in the vacant space between the brick sidewalk and the curbing, be, and the said permission is hereby revoked.

Adopted.

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on the petition of Kate Donovan, for permission to maintain a swinging shelf in front of #62 Broadway, reported leave to withdraw;

on the petition of Annie C. Tibbetts, for permission to move a small maple tree in front of #31 Bradley street from the middle to the side of the driveway, reported leave to withdraw;

on the petition of A. B. Gookin and others, for the removal of an electric wire post from the upper corner to the lower corner of Walnut street and Giles park, - and the petition of The New England Telegraph and Telephone Company of Massachusetts for a re-location of the pole on Walnut street at Giles park, as designated by plan, reported an order;

Accepted.

The order, accompanying the foregoing report, is as follows, - Order ✓

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Ordered:-

That (The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts having been given opportunity to be heard in regard to the alteration and change in the location of certain poles of said Company on Walnut street, as hereinafter referred to, and said Company having waived notice, as appears by its waiver in writing, hereto annexed, of a hearing in the matter of said alteration and change) the following described alteration and change in the location and section of poles of the said company shall be made and is hereby ordered, namely, referring to the plan filed with the City Clerk, entitled "The New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. of Massachusetts, Relocation for Pole, Somerville, Mass. Boston, March 1st, 1895," the pole located in Walnut street at the northwesterly corner of Giles Park, indicated on said plan by the black dot marked "Remove", is to be removed, and the location of one pole in Walnut street at the northwesterly corner of Giles Park, to be erected as a substitute for said removed pole, shall conform to its location as shown on said plan, on which such location is indicated by a red dot.

Said alteration and change is to be made by said Company without unnecessary delay and at its expense, the said new pole is to conform in material, construction and appearance to the line of poles in Walnut street of which it will form a part, and before being erected is to be approved by the Superintendent of Electric Lines, and shall be erected under the supervision and direction of said superintendent; - and said pole shall be subject to, and shall be erected and maintained by said Company subject to all the provisions, terms and conditions, under which the said removed pole or the line of poles in Walnut street, of which the said pole to be erected will form a part, were or are erected, constructed or maintained.

The closing of said old pole for said new pole shall be completed within thirty days from the date hereof.

Adopted.

Attached to the foregoing order were the following waiver of notice,-

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts

Executive Office

125 Milk Street

P.O. Drawer 119

Wednesday, March 27, 1895

Boston, March 15, 1895

In reply to yours

To the Board of Aldermen of the
City of Somerville, Mass

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts hereby waives notice of hearing in the matter of a petition necessary change in the location of its pole on Walnut street. The proposed location to be as designated by red dot on plan dated March 1st filed with the city.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph
Company of Massachusetts
By Jasper S. Kelly
General Manager.

The Committee on Highways, on the petition of William B. Good and others, for the construction of a sidewalk on the southwesterly side of Kimball street, from Central street to the northwesterly line of the estate of Mrs. Linda Wallace, reported an order of notice. — Report ✓

Accepted

The order of notice, accompanying the foregoing report, for a hearing on the construction of a granolithic sidewalk and edgestone in Kimball street, as recorded on page 4 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks, - Crossings and Obstructions - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, was — Order of Notice ✓

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, March 25, 1895.

The Committee on Highways, on the petition of Edward Pollitt for a brick sidewalk with edgestones in front of his house on Allen street, reported an order. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and it hereby is, au

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thorized to construct a brick sidewalk with edgestones on Allen street in front of the estate of Edward Colliton situated at the westerly corner of Allen street and Somerville avenue, when the said Colliton shall have furnished bricks for the same satisfactory to the Superintendent of Streets and shall have first made a deposit with the City Treasurer sufficient to cover the approximate cost of the edgestones; the expense so incurred by the City to be charged to Sidewalks account.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, March 25, 1898.

√ Reports

The Committee on Highways, on the petitions of the Mayor of Cambridge for permission to blast rock at the Almshouse Ledge of the City of Cambridge, situated in this city, and Collins and Ham, for permission to blast rock on their land on Weston avenue, reported orders.

√ Orders

The orders accompanying the foregoing report are as follows:-

Ordered:-

That permission be and hereby is granted, under the provisions of the ordinances of the city, to the City of Cambridge, to blast rock or stone in their ledge situated at the almshouse farm of said city, for the term of fifteen days from date, unless such permission be sooner revoked.

Adoption lost.

Ordered:-

That permission be and hereby is granted, under the provisions of the ordinances of the city, to Michael J. Collins and Benjamin A. Ham, to blast rock or stone on their land on the southwesterly side of Weston avenue, being lots numbered 58 to 65, inclusive, on plan, and extending from Clarendon avenue northwesterly, for the term of fifteen days from date, unless such permission be sooner revoked.

Adoption lost.

√ Report

The Committee on Highways, on the petition of Carl G. Rosengren and others for the acceptance of Highland Road, from Highland avenue to Grown street, reported leave to withdraw.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, March 23, Accepted in concurrence.

Alderman Ball offered the following order,— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Public Property be and it hereby is requested to consider the advisability of constructing a porch and gallery at the front entrance to the City Hall building, to make an estimate of the approximate cost of such construction and to report thereon to the city council at an early date.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 23, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, March 25, 1898.

Alderman Lamont offered the following order,— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That a message be sent to the common council, requesting a convention of the two branches of the city council in the Common Council Chamber this evening, for the purpose of electing a member from Ward three, of the board of overseers of the poor, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Ezra D. Southee; an order for such convention having been passed March 16th and 17th.

Adopted, and Alderman Lamont appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council.

In Common Council, March 23, 1898. Request granted and Councilman Gracey appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.

In Convention of the City Council — Convention

The President of the Board of Aldermen, Alderman Ball, presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball, President Wilson, and Councilmen Osborne, Kenney, Smith, Cushman, Grimmons, Burns, Gracey, Crocker, Berry, Lord and Kinal present.

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✓ Election	In pursuance of orders passed March 16 and 17 and this evening, the convention proceeded to ballot for a member from Ward Three of the board of overseers of the poor to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Ezra D. Smithers. The chair appointed Alderman Lamont and Councilmen Lord and Grimmons a committee to receive, assort and count the votes, and after attending to that duty, the committee reported as follows,- Whole number of ballots - - - 20, Necessary for choice - - - 11, James H. Butler has - - - 20, and James H. Butler was declared by the chair elected.
Convention dissolved	The purpose for which it was assembled having been accomplished, the convention was dissolved and the board of aldermen returned to its chamber.
Board of Aldermen	In Board of Aldermen His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.
✓ Recommendation	Received a recommendation from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, that appointments of call-members of the department be made as follows:- John H. Ford, - a call-member of Ladder Co. No. 1. George F. Bixby, - a call-member of Engine Co. No. 4. Caleb S. Kimball, - a call-member of Engine Co. No. 2, and David L. Stevens, - a call-member of Engine Co. No. 3. Appointments as recommended made by the Mayor, and under a suspension of the rules, confirmed by the board of aldermen.
✓ Report	The Committee on Special Building Permits, on the petition of Lemuel D. Richards, for permission to build and maintain the coving of a bay window, to be placed on the George street side of the building No.

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44 Broadway, such coving to project one foot over the sidewalk on George street, reported leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order:— Order ✓

Ordered:— Bond filed March 31, 1898

That Frank Jones of Portsmouth, New Hampshire and George H. Goodwin of Boston, Massachusetts, be given permission to lay a temporary railroad track across New Cross street, at grade, the centre of said track crossing said New Cross street from a point at the junction of the southeasterly side of said New Cross street and the southwesterly side of Blakely avenue, distant about 405 feet from Broadway measured along said southeasterly side of New Cross street, thence crossing to a point at the junction of the northwesterly side of New Cross street and the northeasterly side of Blakely avenue, distant about 477 feet from Broadway measured along said northwesterly side of New Cross street, as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of a proposed track crossing New Cross street, Somerville, Mass.," dated March 23, 1898, which is filed with the petition of said Jones and Goodwin to the Board of Aldermen asking for such permission, and to run locomotives and cars on said track, by steam power, for the purpose of grading land of said petitioners, bounded by New Cross street, Blakely avenue, Winthrop avenue, and Mystic avenue in Somerville, when said petitioners shall have filed with the City Clerk a bond in the sum of twenty thousand dollars satisfactory to the City Solicitor for the protection of the City against all liability for damage to persons or property or otherwise on account of the laying of said railroad track and the running of said locomotives and cars thereon, and an agreement to reimburse the city for any expense that may be incurred in making repairs upon said New Cross street necessitated by the laying and operating of said railroad track, and to take up and remove said track within ten days after the passage, by the City Council, of an order directing said petitioners so to do.

Adopted.

The Committee on Public Property, on that portion of His Honor, Report ✓

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the Mayor's Inaugural Address, which relates to the establishment of an almshouse, reported an order

Accepted.

√ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and it hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making an appropriation from funded debt of thirty-five thousand dollars, for the erection of an almshouse on the city's land near the corner of Broadway and Cedar street.

Laid on the table.

√ Report

The Committee on Public Property, on that portion of His Honor, the Mayor's Inaugural Address, which relates to the providing of additional school accommodations in the Prospect Hill District, reported an order

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, March 23, Accepted in concurrence

√ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and it hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making an appropriation of forty thousand dollars for the purchase of land and land titles and the erection thereon of a one-room brick school building.

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, March 23, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, March 25, 1898.

√ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and it hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making an appropriation from funded debt to sidewalks account of ten thousand dollars.

In Common Council, March 23. Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

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In Board of Aldermen, March 20, Adopted in concurrence
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Alderman Kilmer offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered: —

That it is the sense of the City Council of Somerville that the proposed change in the boundary line between the City of Cambridge and the City of Somerville, as shown on the plan presented this evening, is desirable, and that the representatives of this city in the General Court be requested to favor such legislation as shall cause such proposed change to be effected.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence
In Common Council, March 23, Adopted in concurrence
Approved by the Mayor, March 25, 1895

The ordinance numbered 75, entitled "An ordinance to amend Chapter Ten of the Revised Ordinances of 1891", recorded on page 491 of the Book of Enrolled Ordinances in the City Clerk's office, which ordinance was passed to be enrolled by this board and sent down for concurrence, March 9th, was received back from the Common Council, endorsed as follows: — Ordinance ✓

In Common Council, March 9th, 1895. Read twice, and passed to be enrolled, in concurrence. Chas. S. Robinson, Clerk.

Somerville, March 9th, 1895. Enrolled. Chas. S. Robinson, Clerk of the Common Council.

In Committee on Enrolled Ordinances, of the Common Council, March 30th, 1895. The said committee, having examined the within ordinance, finds that it is truly and correctly enrolled, and so reports.

Arthur W. Berry
Paul J. Smith } Committee.

In Common Council, March 30th, 1895. Passed to be ordained. Francis M. Wilson, President.

Attest,

Chas. S. Robinson, Clerk.

Further action was taken as follows, —

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In Committee on Enrolled Ordinances, of the Board of Aldermen, March 23, 1898. The said committee, having examined the within ordinance, finds that it is truly and correctly enrolled, and so reports.

Frederick M. Kilmer
L. Herbert Huntley, } Committee
John A. Ball

In Board of Aldermen, March 23. Passed to be ordained.
Albion A. Perry, Mayor.
Attest, George S. Vincent, Clerk.
March 25, 1898, Approved, Albion A. Perry, Mayor.

Adjourned.

Attest,
George S. Vincent
Clerk.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville, April 13, 1898.— 8 P.M.

The President, Alderman Ball, presiding.
Alderman Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved.

Received the following communication from His Honor, the Mayor,— Veto Message from Mayor

City of Somerville, Mass.
Mayor's Office
March 31st, 1898.

To the Board of Aldermen:—

I return herewith to your Honorable Board, disapproved, the order bearing date February 9th, 1898, authorizing the Committee on Fire Department "to procure plans and specifications (at no expense to the city) for a two-door Fire Station, to be located at some future time on the city's lot, at the corner of Holland and Newbury streets."

As yet, no appropriation has been made by the City Council for the erection of a fire station on the lot referred to in the order, and it seems a little premature to authorize a committee to procure plans for a building in advance of any action which ensures the erection of such building. The proper course, I would submit, is first to vote to build a fire station and make an appropriation therefor, and then to procure suitable plans and specifications for the work.

In this connection I would suggest that it might be well, in case the present City Council decides to erect a fire station on Clarendon Hill, to have preliminary plans drawn by the City Engineer, after consultation with the Committee on Fire Department and the Superintendent of Public Buildings. These plans could be used for the purpose of obtaining estimates of the cost of the undertaking, and later, if it should be deemed necessary, the services of an architect could be secured.

Respectfully submitted,
Albion A. Perry,
Mayor.

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Read for information. (Filed with the City Clerk, March 31, 1895).

✓ Order

The order returned with the foregoing communication from the Mayor, authorizing the Committee on Fire Department to procure without expense to the city, plans and specifications for a two-door fire station to be located at present future home on the city's land at the corner of Holland and Newbury streets, was re-considered, and its adoption, notwithstanding the objections of the mayor, was lost by a yea and nay vote, - Aldermen Huntley - 1, voting in the affirmative, and Aldermen Lapham, Parker, Darlin, Lamont, Kelman, Cummings and Ball - 7, voting in the negative.

✓ Reports

Received the reports for the month of March of the Chief of Police and Superintendent of Electric Lines.

Placed on file.

✓ Communication

Received the following communication from the City Engineer,-

City Engineer's Office,
City Hall,
Somerville, Mass., April 5, 1895.

To His Honor the Mayor, and the City Council,
Gentlemen:-

On a communication from His Honor the Mayor to the Board of Aldermen, of October 27, 1897, and an order of even date relating to the provision of drains, drainage and improved sewerage facilities for the city, a practical report was made during the latter part of 1897, dealing with the work then completed or under construction, and the benefits to be anticipated from the schemes of which these formed a part.

Since that time, the problem, as affecting the remainder of the city, has been carefully studied on the basis of additional data.

The present report is more particularly an explanation of different schemes for dealing with the Broadway District, which, of all the city areas, presents the greatest difficulties from an engineering point of view.

The provision of increased facilities for dealing with the rain falling upon the city area is a matter of rapidly growing importance. The

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number of complaints arising from flooded cellars and similar inconveniences, has steadily increased with each succeeding storm, and much attention has already been devoted to the remedying of these undesirable and unsanitary conditions.

The chief result of efforts already made in this direction, is the relief effected in the Tannery Brook area, where, by the construction of a relief conduit, of adequate dimensions, the excess of highly diluted sewage, formerly reaching the already overcharged Somerville Sewerage system, is diverted into the Tannery Brook, at a point sufficiently remote from the affected area.

A further result of the studies already made in connection with this problem is found in the fact that a definite scheme of relief sewers for another city area, now having its outlet in Alpha Sewer, has been in existence since the spring of 1897, and a short but important length of the sewers included therein, on Hinckley Sewer, was constructed during the past year.

Under favorable circumstances, it is anticipated that the remainder of this scheme will be let by contract, and completed during the ensuing season. The objects aimed at are similar to those already effected in the Tannery Brook District.

The existing sewers in Cross Street, and the East Somerville District generally, Broadway, Sargent Avenue, Marshall Street, and Gilman Square, now periodically surcharged by even moderate storms, will be supplemented by relief conduits of considerably increased capacity, with which the existing sewers will be connected at suitable points. In this way a most desirable improvement of present conditions will be brought about, extending even beyond the limits of the proposed new conduit in Gilman Square.

The sewer at the junction of School and Medford Streets, as is well known, now overflows with every heavy rainfall, and in severe storms, the pressure of water has been sufficient to lift the 300 pounds cover of the sewer manhole at this intersection.

The proposed line of relief sewer, known as the Quincy Sewer System, will effectually relieve this congestion, and the frequently recurring damages by floods in this vicinity will become a matter of history.

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Except to the limited extent already indicated in the reference to the Tannery Brook work, neither of the schemes alluded to will relieve the large area known as the Somerville Avenue District from sewer flooding.

This area is as large as the combined Tannery Brook and Winthrop Avenue Districts. In addition to the more extent of area, there are, in the Somerville Avenue District unfavorable conditions, due to physical causes, not encountered in other parts of the city. Although a considerable length of the existing main sewer is of comparatively large size and capacity, the fact remains that its outlet, through the sewerage system of the City of Cambridge, is practically at the back of some low water while many others, along the line of sewer, are at elevations ranging from 11 feet to 16 feet above that standard.

In the sewer between Davis Square and the East Cambridge Line varies between 5 1/2 feet and 8 feet in diameter, and normal tides do not exceed 11 feet in height, it will be seen that, so long as the sewers are not running under pressure, (due either to excessive rainfall or to abnormal tides) no danger of cellar flooding exists. But it is well known that the sewers in this district do frequently run under pressure, as indicated by observations in the manholes along the line, and by the complaints of many flooded cellars and, in some cases, even flooded streets.

While the pressure thus exerted hardly increases, with a free outlet, the rate of discharge in the sewer, as compared with the same conduits running full under the normal head, it adds to the difficulty of treating such sewers by any system of relief conduits and connections, as described above.

A system of this character has been designed the front year, of such capacity as to afford, in conjunction with the existing main sewer, provision for the maximum rainfall adopted throughout the city, together with the sewage from the area dealt with.

It is more than less possible, however, that an unfavorable combination of a high tide with a heavy rainfall may reduce the hydraulic efficiency of the combined sewer at the very time when the greatest facility of discharge is required. This scheme involves an outlet for the additional main conduit, into the present head of Miller's River, on the northside of the Boston and Lowell Railroad, at the East Cambridge Line.

The outlet would be protected by automatic tide gates, or arrange-

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as to exclude the tide, so long as the water within the sewer were lower than the elevation of the water outside. While these conditions prevailed, as they would be by a continuous heavy fall of rain during the ebb, or during normal flood tides, the gate would open, and the level of sewage and tide would be equalized. In such a case no harm would ensue so long as ordinary tidal conditions prevailed. But if an exceptionally high tide intervened while the sewers within its range were still dealing with the rainfall, the latter (old and new alike) would be gorged by the tide.

A reasonable or practicable size of sewer or relief conduit would provide storage capacity for the rainfall from an area of the extent and character; consequently, the contingency of an influx of tide, due to the forcing of the tide-gate by rainfall, must always be kept in view.

The result of such influx, under the conditions stated, must be the flooding of such cellars as are below the tidal level. The number of these, as determined by recent levelling, is at least 910 between the East Cambridge Line and Oak Square.

The probable frequency of such flooding is naturally a question of much importance in this connection. Records of the U. S. government used in determining the conditions for the Stony Brook Storm Water Sewer in the City of Boston, in 1886, show that in a period of eighteen years the number of tides reaching grade 13 was forty one. Reaching grade 13 ½ the number was nineteen tides, grade 14, eight tides, grade 14½ three tides and grade 15 no tide. The average rise of tide during the same period was 10½ feet above mean low water.

These figures demonstrate that there could be a theoretical possibility of cellars at grade 13 being flooded about twice a year on an average, even after the construction of the proposed relief sewer. It would of course be necessary, to produce this flooding, that there should be rain during or immediately preceding the necessarily brief period of excessive tidal height. It should also be borne in mind that the duration of the flooding would, in most cases, be controlled by the inherent storage provision afforded by the new conduit.

The cost of this scheme (A.1) is estimated at $375,000.00, this includes large relief sewers extending along Somerville Avenue, from the

East Cambridge Line to Oak Square, and from Union Square along Washington Street and Beacon Street to Sacramento Street, and also small relief sewers in the Bow and Sycamore Street District, from Union Square to Putnam Street, and in Somerville Square District from Somerville Avenue to Springfield Street, having overflow connections at various points, with outlet arrangements at Mystic River, as described.

The carrying of the relief sewer up to Putnam Street is necessary by the congestion now experienced, in every storm, at the junction of School and Summer Streets, where a similar condition to that at School and Milford Streets, previously described, prevails.

The Somerville Square District is sufficiently known as one of the worst flooded districts in the whole city, as are also the Somerville Avenue District to, or beyond Oak Square, and sections of the Beacon Street District.

The scheme appears to be decidedly meritorious, any but the rarest occurrence of flooding after the construction of this scheme, but as it cannot be described as absolutely preventing such flooding another means of meeting the problem has been considered.

The sewers of Somerville are designed on what is known as the "combined system" in which the sewage from the houses and the rainfall from the entire area are both dealt with by a single underground channel. The capacity of these channels is practically determined, not by the comparatively insignificant volume of sewage, but by the maximum flow of rainfall estimated to reach them at a given time. The sewers in the Somerville Avenue District are far from being large enough to deal with this estimated volume under the required head in the respective sewers, but as has already been stated, the discharge through them can do, and is, largely increased by working them under pressure.

The only means by which this could be taken advantage of, for future drainage, without subjecting adjacent cellars to the present risk of flooding, is to cut off the house-drains from the existing sewers, use the latter for storm water only, and construct a new system of sewers, of greatly reduced size, to receive the house-sewage (not including roof-water) through the medium of new connections between them, and the intercepted house-drains.

To carry this scheme, (No. 2) to its full extent would involve the separation of sewage and rainfall over the whole area of the Somerville Avenue District. It would cost, according to plans submitted with this re-

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first, approximately $507,000.00, to which must be added the outlay entailed upon house-owners for making the necessary alterations in the private drainage.

This system provides for five sewers in each street; in many cases two sewers, one under each sidewalk, are included, so as to avoid the numerous house-drain crossings under the larger existing sewer.

The alteration of the house-drainage would in many cases be a distinct gain in a sanitary sense, as much of this work in the older part of the city, was done before the adoption of the regulations now in force affecting this class of work.

A modification of this scheme, retaining the new "separate" sewers to the low-lying area in which trouble is experienced, would cost approximately $220,000.00, to which the cost of private drainage alterations, within the limited area, must be added.

This scheme (No. 3) provides for all parts of the area in which low cellars exist; the house-sewage from the remainder of the area would continue to be dealt with by the existing combined sewer. It also provides for a relief sewer in Summer Street and Bow Street, as included in the general scheme of relief sewers, (No. 1).

In both the complete and partial schemes of separate sewer (No. 2 and 3 respectively) it will be desirable to construct a relief sewer from the existing 8 ft. sewer at the East Cambridge Line, discharging into Mill's River. This sewer, about 450 feet in length, would follow the same route as the outlet sewer of the proposed relief sewer system, (Scheme No. 1) but would not be, so large as required for that scheme. The cost would be approximately $15,000.00, in addition to the figures for complete and partial separate sewer schemes respectively.

The schemes in No. 2 and 3 would discharge into the Metropolitan Sewerage System at Poplar Street.

In deciding as to the adoption of one or the other of the schemes now submitted, the consideration of first cost is not the only one to be kept in view. Having regard to the rapidly growing demands upon the Metropolitan Sewerage System, it does not seem probable that, in the near future, the assessment upon different sections of the Metropolitan area may be changed to a basis of proportion according to the volume discharged.

Also, at some future time it may be that the cities now sewered on

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the "combined system" such as Somerville, Cambridge and other Metropolitan sewerage districts, may be called upon to adopt the "separate system" as a means of prolonging the life or effectiveness of the present Metropolitan plant. It would therefore seem expedient, other conditions being favorable, to anticipate this step, so far as the pressing needs of the Somerville Avenue District are involved, by the adoption of the partial separate system outlined in Scheme 3, the cost of which, even including the essential alterations of private drainage, would probably not exceed the cost of a fully developed system of relief sewers.

The partial scheme could be so laid out, by a slight increase in the size and cost of the main sewer, as to readily admit of the whole area being dealt with whenever this step appeared desirable. In this way the advantage of an uninterrupted discharge of house-sewage, irrespective of storms, might ultimately be extended to the whole district.

In any case, it is desirable to provide by ordinance that no cellars be constructed in the future below grade 14.

The matter is brought before the City Council at this length so as to afford data on which future action can be intelligently based.

Respectfully,

Ernest H. Bailey,

City Engineer.

Referred to Committee on Sewers and sent down for concurrence (see subsequent record).

√ Communication

Received the following communication from the City Clerk.

City of Somerville,

Massachusetts

City Clerk's Office

April 13, 1898

To the Board of Aldermen,

Gentlemen:—

Pursuant to your order of March 23rd, 1898, I have caused the names on the jury list accepted by your honorable board on the said date to be prepared on separate papers or ballots, in the manner specified in section 5 of chapter 515 of the Acts of the year 1897, and present the same herewith; and I hereby certify that the said papers or ballots contain all of the names

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that are included in said list, and none others.

Respectfully,
George Vincent,
City Clerk

Placed on file.

The names in the jury box having been removed, and those presented by the city clerk this evening having been placed in the box, the following certificate was made,— Certificate of Board of Aldermen ✓

City of Somerville
In Board of Mayor and Aldermen,
April 13, 1898.

The names contained in the jury list prepared by the registrars of voters and accepted, March 30th, 1898, by this board, having been prepared by the city clerk, on separate papers or ballots, in the manner provided by law, and presented by him to this board this day, and the said papers or ballots containing, as certified by the city clerk, all the names that are on said list, and none others, — it is hereby certified that this board has removed from the jury box all of the names that were contained therein, and has placed in said box, all the ballots received as aforesaid from the city clerk, and the said box containing all of said ballots, and none others, has been placed in the case of the city clerk, as required by law.

F. De Witt Lapham	James F. Dawlin	Aldermen of Somerville
L. Herbert Huntley	Frederick M. Kelsey	
French O. J. Tarbox	Silas L. Cummings	
Andrew A. Lamont	John A. Ball	

Placed on file.

Received from the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners, a notice of a hearing to be given on Wednesday, March 30th at eleven A.M. on the application of the East End Street Railway Company, for a license to build a bulk-head and fill solid in Mystic River, at its Charlestown Power Station. (Received by the City Clerk, March 26th.) Communication ✓

The City Clerk stated that the matter of the notice had been attended to by the City Solicitor, and the City Engineer.

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Placed on file

√ Communication

Received the following communication from the Board of Railroad Commissioners,—

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Board of Railroad Commissioners
March 25, 1898.

In the matter of the petition of George H Goodwin and others for the consent of the Board to the construction of a railroad track for private and temporary use in the transportation of wood across New Grove Street in the city of Somerville,—

It appearing that the board of aldermen of said city by its order dated March 23, 1898, has consented thereto,—it is

Ordered, That the Board hereby consents to the construction by the petitioners of a railroad track for the use aforesaid to be operated by steam power across and at the level with said New Grove Street in said city of Somerville: provided, that a flagman shall display a flag by day and a lantern by night whenever any engine, car or train approaches and passes over said crossing, and that no engine, car or train shall cross said street at a greater speed than four miles per hour; provided, also, that said track across said street shall be removed and the street restored to its present condition within ninety days after the date of this order.

Attest: (Signed) Wm A Crafts,
Clerk

A true copy.
Attest: Wm A Crafts,
Clerk

Placed on file

√ Communication

Received the following communication from Mrs Emma J Hayes,
52 Dartmouth St.

My dear Mr Clement,

I am in receipt of a copy of resolutions adopted by the City Council in recognition of the public service of my late husband. Permit me through you to express to the City Council my sincere thanks for the respect paid to the memory of him who has left us, and for this sympathy for

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us who are left to mourn our great loss. Thanking you also for your personal expression of sorrow and sympathy, I am

Sincerely yours,

Emma S. Hayes

March 25, 1898.

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, April 14. Read for information.

Received petitions from the Somerville High School Base-ball Association for licenses for base-ball games on Tufts Oval, April 8th and 11th, recommended by the Chief of Police, approved by the mayor, and licenses issued by the city clerk. — Petitions ✓

Issuing of licenses approved.

Received petitions from — Petitions ✓

James A. Annis, of 48 Hawthorne St., for a license to ring a bell in the streets for the sale of ice-cream;

James Morgan, at 270 Commercial St., Boston, (holding a $50.00 State license) for a license to cry his goods in the streets;

Edward C. Sweeney, at 14 Kennedy place, for a license to cry his calling as an umbrella mender and tin-smith, in the streets;

all recommended by the Chief of Police.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received petitions — each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee — that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors, — Petitions ✓

J. Daniel Cook, Albert F. McLean, George E. Dawes and Fred Schultz,

all recommended by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

Received petitions for licenses as auctioneers, for the year beginning May 1st, from, — Petitions ✓

J. Albion Briggs, Fred E. Davis, J. Robert Fenelon, George E. Foster,
Joseph J. Giles, Hackett A. Gleason, Walter H. Gleason, F. DeWitt Lapham,
Stillman H. Libby, Luther C. Pillsbury, Zibe A. Saunders, Charles A. Sawyer,

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Jesse J. Underhill, Harry Van Iderstine and Rufus West
Referred to Committee on Licenses

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses, for the year beginning May 1st, from—
Henry H. P. Colson, to keep two billiard tables and one pool table at Hotel Colson, #62 Highland avenue;
John F. Fay, to keep one pool table at #14½ Medford street;
Robert Jameson, to keep five bowling alleys and two billiard and two pool tables at #341 Somerville avenue;
Referred to Committee on Licenses

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses, as common victuallers, for the year beginning May 1st, from—
Martin M. Brown, at #13 Medina Building, Davis Square;
Warren Davis Church, at #61 Day street;
Charles F. Davenport, at #813 Somerville avenue;
Rebecca Fordick, at #33 Elm street;
Austin H. Goldthwait, at #683 Somerville avenue;
Mrs Gertrude Hale, at #445 Somerville avenue;
Margaret Kennessy, at #528 Medford street;
George F. Kimmerwell, at #164 A School street;
Thomas H. Joyce, at #270 Elm street;
Seyrene B. McAshell, at #10 Bow street;
Mrs Ada C. Marsh, at #419 Somerville avenue;
Josie O'Neil, at #543 Somerville avenue;
Frederick H. Pearson, at #304 Broadway;
Daniel H. Ainn, at #30 Union Square;
Noah O. Robinson, at #133 A Washington street;
George A. Sanders, at #15 Bow street;
Fred B. Slade, at #15 Union Square;
Luther L. Tarbell, in lunch wagon at northwest corner of Washington street and Union Square;
Hiram Turner, at #198 Highland avenue;
Referred to Committee on Licenses

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses, as innholders, for the year begin-

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ning May 1st, from —
Lucy A. Pellowa at #73 Perkins street;
Henry W. A. Colson, at Hotel Colson #62 Highland avenue;
George B. Ricker, at Hotel Woodbridge, #291 Elm street;
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received a petition for a license to keep an intelligence office for the year beginning May 1st, from Oliver G. Fosdick, at #33 Elm street. — Petition ✓
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received a petition for a license as a private detective, for the year beginning May 1st, from William F. Tasker of #6 George street. — Petition ✓
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received petitions for licenses to play on hand-organs in the streets for the year beginning May 1st, from — — Petitions ✓
Egidio Argenzio, 19 Clark St, Boston;
Angelo Turco, 7 Eastern Ave, Boston;
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received a petition from Daniel Young for a license as a street band, for the year beginning May 1st, for himself and five others, namely — Karl Emrich, Jakob Wilking, Daniel Schafer, Ludwig Grop and Jacob Young, all residing at #588 Parker St., Roxbury. — Petition ✓
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received a petition from the West Somerville Branch of the Salvation Army, (Captain William R. Woodward, #55 Holland St.) for a license, for the year beginning May 1st, to hold religious meetings, to parade, and sing, and to perform on musical instruments in the streets of the city. — Petition ✓
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received petitions for the year beginning May 1st, for licenses of the sixth class, for the sale of intoxicating liquors, from the following-named druggists, and apothecaries, each presenting with his petition, the requisite — Petitions ✓

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certificate from the State Board of Registration and Pharmacy,—
Thomas H. Fenelon, at #44 Union Square;
Howard Hamblen, at #173 Washington street;
Milton H. Plummer, at #25 Union Square;
John F. Thompson, at #599 Somerville avenue;
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

√ Petition and

Received a petition from Stephen Brennan, for permission to erect and use a stationary steam engine with boiler, both of twenty horse-power, on the premises of St. Ann's Church, Medford street, corner of Thurston street; said engine and boiler to be used for hoisting building materials; coal to be used for fuel.
Referred to Committee on Fire Department.

√ Order of Notice

The foregoing petition was accompanied by the following order of notice,—
Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered, that fourteen days' notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday, the 11th day of May, 1898, at 8 o'clock, P.M., at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, at which time any parties, who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Somerville Citizen.
Adopted.

√ Petition and

Received a petition from Michael J. Collins and Benjamin A. Ham, of 110 Boston street, Boston, for permission to erect and use a portable steam boiler of six horse power, on land off Edgemont street; coal to be used for fuel, and the purpose of the boiler being for the operating a steam derrick and a steam drill to be used in connection with the blasting of rock.
Referred to Committee on Fire Department.

√ Order of Notice

Accompanying the foregoing petition was the following order of notice,—
Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered, that fourteen days' notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday, the 11th day of May, 1898, at 8 o'clock, P.M., at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer

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of the above petition, at which time any parties who object thereto may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition, and this order thereon in the Somerville Journal.

Adopted.

Petitions ✓

Received petitions for licenses as drain layers, for the year beginning May 1st, from —

Bartholomew Burke, Christopher Burke, Patrick Burke, Maurice Buttimer, Jeremiah Donovan, Richard Falvey, Nicholas Lonard, Charles A. Morgan, John C. Terry.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Petitions ✓

Received petitions from, —

Israel P. Rice for a sewer in Linden Circle, from Linden avenue easterly about 125 feet;

John G. McKinnon & others, for the proper draining of the land on Medford street, extending from the Central Fire Station to the railroad bridge on Medford street, near Gilman Square;

Elizabeth F. Glover & others for a catch-basin at the corner of Kingston & Mecham streets;

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Petition ✓

Received a petition from Michael J. Collins & Benjamin A. Ham, for permission to blast rock, with gun powder, on their property off Edgemont street, and that they may appear before this board and give reasons for asking for such permit, and answer such questions as the board may ask, at its regular meeting, April 13, 1898.

Hearing ✓

The request for a hearing, as stated in the petition, was granted, and Mr. Ham appeared before the board and explained the desire of the petitioners and their method of blasting.

Mr. Ham stated that their property borders on the pit which has been created by blasting, during a series of years, by the City of Cambridge and others. This pit, where it borders on their land, is at a level varying from 30 to 70 feet below the surface of Easton avenue. They use gun powder in blasting and drill a series of holes to a depth of about sixteen feet which are charged with some twenty-five or thirty pounds of gun powder. The noise

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and the gas of the blasting are but slight, and the effect of the blasting is to split the rock off the face of the ledge, and not to break it so small as to throw it into the air to any extent. An immense quantity of the rock is broken off by each blast, and the drilling of the holes consumes considerable time, so that blasting would not be done more than once in two or three weeks.

✓ Petition

Received a petition from Henry K. Lyman for a licence to keep sixty horses in his stable to be erected on Grant street near Mystic avenue.

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

✓ Remonstrances

Received a remonstrance from William B. Weld and others, against the petition of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, for permission to locate double tracks on Summer street.

Also remonstrances from Martha Perry Lowe and others, and Frederick H. Gray and others, against the granting of the petition of the Boston Elevated Railway Company for permission to locate double tracks on Summer street, or to extend their tracks on said Summer street beyond their present terminus.

Referred to Committee on Highways.

✓ Petitions

Received petitions from:

✓ O. F. Green and others, that the West End Street Railway Company be invited by the City Government to double track Summer street, and extend tracks thereon to Belmont street, also that Summer street be graded to conform to the grade of the curbstone, and that the sidewalk therein, in front of the car-house, be put in traversable condition;

✓ Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to set round poles which fell during the storm of January 31st, — one on Chandler street between Chapel and William streets, — and one on Warwick street;

✓ Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to set nine poles on Main street between Broadway and the Medford line, said poles to be occupied also by The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts, and to remove six poles now standing in said portion of Main street;

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Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to erect and maintain poles as follows:- one in Broadway Parkway opposite Chauncey avenue; four in Willow avenue, between Lexington and Morrison avenues; one in Benedict street at the corner of Austin street, one in Temple street at the corner of Sewall street, and two in Milford street between South street and the Fitchburg Railroad; also to remove poles:- one in Broadway Parkway opposite Chauncey avenue; four in Willow avenue between Lexington and Morrison avenues; one in Benedict street, at the corner of Austin street; one in Temple street at the corner of Sewall street, and two in Milford street, east of South street;

Benjamin F. Freeman, for the removal of a tree in the sidewalk on McVernon street, and partly on the west side of the lot numbered 22 on Broadway, it being the intention of the petitioner to remodel and construct a business and tenement block upon said lot, and the tree comes a little over the line of the lot and directly in front of the main entrance of the tenement as laid out on the plan;

William Graham and others for a brick sidewalk on the northerly side of Bonner avenue from Homer Square around the corner of Columbus avenue;

Charles A. Kenneson, for a brick sidewalk on Broadway in front of the building nos 266-268 and 270 the petitioner to furnish the bricks;

Sarah E. Hatch and others, for a gravel sidewalk with edgestones on the northwesterly side of Cutter avenue;

Silas L. Cummings and others for a gravel sidewalk and edgestones on the southeasterly side of Cutter avenue;

Jeremiah O'Sullivan and others for edgestones on both sides of Harrison street from Kent street to Ivalo street;

Joseph K. Neall and others, for gravel sidewalks with edgestones in Ibbetson street;

James H. Maguire, for a brick sidewalk with edgestones on the southwesterly side of Milford street, southeasterly from Partridge avenue, opposite the premises of the petitioner;

T. C. Connor and others, for a gravel sidewalk with edgestones on the westerly

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side of Russell street, from Orchard street to the Cambridge line;

C. H. Bradshaw and others, for a cement or granolythic sidewalk on one or both sides of Westwood Road between Central street, and Benton Road, provided that the cost to the abutters shall in no event exceed the cost of brick sidewalks, if brick sidewalks were laid instead of cement or granolythic;

Referred to Committee on Highways.

✓ Petitions

Received petitions from:-

John Macauley and others, that the sidewalks and edgestones on both sides of Bonair street, from Cross street to Walnut street, be repaired as in many portions they are now unsafe for public travel;

George Carlin and others, for the laying out of Adrian street as a public way, from Marion street to Joseph street;

W. C. and A. T. Metzger and James J. Donnelly, for the laying out of Ashland street from Summer street to Sartwell avenue;

Edward Scanlon and others, for the laying out of Marion street, from Concord avenue to Cook street;

Charles H. Ramsdell and others, for the laying out of Boston street, from Glen street to Knowlton street;

George A. Richardson and others, for the laying out of Wesley street from Pearl street to the southwesterly line of the estate of Adelbert B. Carpenter;

Henry L. Gaustein, for the lowering of the curbing, so as to allow a driveway to the stable, on premises at 95½ Prospect street, the petitioner to pay the cost;

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 14, References concurred in.

✓ Petition

Received a petition from Charles H. Ramsdell and others, representing that the land, owned by the city, on the easterly side of Glen street, has within the past few years been improved, and prepared for a play ground, but within the last year ashes and stone have again been dumped upon it, greatly to the annoyance of the neighbors, and praying that this practice be discontinued, and that the objectionable materials now there be removed

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Referred to Committee on Public Grounds, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council April 14, Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from Walter C. Dietzer and others, that lands be taken by the city, and laid out as a parkway or boulevard, from Powder House Square to the junction of Mystic River and Alewife Brook, as shown on plan made by Charles D. Elliot, Engineer, and presented with the petition; it being believed that most of the owners will give the lands required for such parkway, without charge. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 14, Reference concurred in.

Received a communication from Blaney & Robinson, in behalf of Lorenzo H. Dow, saying that he is willing to contribute his land for the above-mentioned parkway or boulevard from Powder House Square to the junction of the Mystic River and Alewife Brook, provided that he shall be relieved from any betterment or sewer assessments, which may be made upon the laying out and construction of a common sewer in said proposed boulevard. — Communication ✓

Read and sent down for information.

(see subsequent record.)

Received petitions from, — Petitions ✓

E. H. Gooding and others for an arc light on the westerly side of Boston street opposite the end of the passageway in rear of the Charles G. Pope School;

J. Lesley Hogg and others, for a street light at or near the northerly end of Centre street;

Edward Buckley and others, for street lights on London street.

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 14, References concurred in.

Received petitions from, — Petitions ✓

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John Moseley and others, that Bonair street, from Cross street to Arthur street, be watered;

Charles C. Ramsdell and others, that Glen street, from Tufts street to Oliver street, be watered;

W. J. Lamb and others, that St. James avenue, from Summer street to Elm street, be watered;

Mary J. Lamb and others, that the request for watering St. James avenue, be placed on file, it being a side street, and the petitioners being unable to see any benefit to be derived therefrom;

William E. Hall and others, that Morgan street be watered;

Mr. S. B. Crispe and others, that New Cross street, from Broadway a distance 200 feet, be watered;

A. F. Munroe and others, that Munroe street, from Walnut street to Bigelow street, be watered;

Referred to Committee on Water and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 14, References concurred in.

Jurors

Received a venire for the drawing of two men to serve as traverse jurors at the Supreme Judicial Court to be holden at Cambridge, Monday, the 25th day of April current, the men so drawn to be summoned to attend said court Monday, April 25, 1898, at 10 o'clock A. M.

By direction of the President, the city messenger passed the box to Alderman Lapham, who drew therefrom and read aloud the following names:

Amos L. Proctor, #54 Spring street; Groceries and Provisions;

Robert G. Tilden, #67 Columbus avenue; Painter;

The ballots bearing the names so drawn were passed by the messenger to the President, who verified said names by reading them aloud from said ballots, which were then passed to the city clerk, who also read the said names aloud therefrom, and after duly endorsing the ballots, returned them to the proper compartment of the jury box.

Order

Alderman Tarbox offered the following order:-

Ordered:-

That the license granted by this board to Walter C. Nickerson, to sell newspapers, be, and the same is hereby, revoked; the said licensee having surrendered his badge and license.

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Adopted

The Committee on Licenses,- Reports ✓

on the petition of Jacob Demont, for the changing of the location to which his licence as a common victualler shall apply from no. 145 Somerville avenue to nos. 178 & 180 on the same avenue, reported an order;

on the petition of Max Fishman, for a licence to collect junk, reported leave to withdraw;

on the petition of Lillian M. McKenney, for a licence as a common victualler at #211 Washington street, reported an order;

Accepted.

The orders, accompanying the foregoing reports are, as follows,- Orders ✓

Ordered:-

That the location where Jacob Demont may carry on the business of a common victualler under a licence granted to him by this board, February 16th, 1898, be, and it is hereby, changed from No. 145 Somerville avenue, as stated in said license, to numbers 178 and 180 Somerville avenue.

Ordered:-

That a licence as a Common Victualler under the laws of the Commonwealth, be, and is hereby granted to the following-named party, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said licence to be issued when signed by the mayor, and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April current, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
Lillian M. McKenney	211 Washington street

Adopted.

The Committee on Licenses, on the petitions for licenses of the sixth class for the sale of intoxicating liquors, from- Report ✓

Charles H. Crane, at #154 Perkins street,

George E. Grover, at #146 Broadway, and

Arthur B. Grover, at #146 Cross street,

reported an order

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Alderman Huntley, a minority of said committee, dissented from the foregoing report, and recommended that the petitioners be given leave to withdraw.

Action postponed until the next meeting.

✓ Order — Alderman Huntley offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That on and after this day, all fees for licenses granted to the Somerville High School Athletic Association, for public exhibitions, be, and the same hereby are remitted.

Referred to City Solicitor for his opinion as to the legality of the order.

✓ Order — Alderman Ball offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Police be, and it hereby is, authorized to to dispose of one of the horses now used by the department and to purchase one new horse at a net expense of not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars, the amount so expended to be charged to Police account.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, April 15, 1898.

✓ Order — Alderman Tarbox offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Police be requested to consider the advisability of placing all reserve officers on the list of regular officers, and that said committee also be requested to consider advisability of the appointment of at least eight reserve officers from the list of qualified applicants for appointment, and to report to this board before June 1st, 1898.

Adopted.

✓ Report — The Committee on Special Building Permits, on the petition of Henry K. Lyman, for a license to keep sixty horses in a stable to be erected on the northwesterly side of Grant street, about 115 feet southwesterly from Mystic avenue, reported an order.

✓ Order — The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:-

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Ordered:-

That permission be, and is hereby granted to Henry K. Lyman, to occupy a stable for sixty horses, said stable to be erected on Grant street near Mystic avenue. (northwesterly side of Grant about 115 feet southwesterly from Mystic avenue.)

Adopted.

Alderman Tarbox offered the following order,- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That a public hearing be granted to all persons who wish to be heard in regard to the blasting on Bluemden Hill, said hearing to be held on the evening of Wednesday, the 27th inst., and that public notice be given of the said hearing by publication in the Somerville Citizen and Somerville Journal.

Read twice and second reading refused by a yea and nay vote, Alderman Tarbox, Durkin, Lamont and Ball, 4- voting in the affirmative, and Alderman Lapham, Huntley, Kilmer and Cummings, 4- voting in the negative.

Later in the evening, vote whereby second reading was refused, reconsidered. Received its second reading and adoption.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to Geo. Collins and Co. to make one experimental blast in the presence of this Board, at their ledge on Bluemden Hill, on Wednesday next, April 20th, at 3 P.M.

Adopted.

Alderman Lamont offered orders for the construction of storm water drains, and sewers in Order ✓

Broadway and Grove street

and

Broadway and Sargent avenue,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 654 and 656 of volume 1, of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct Sewers - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

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Read twice and adopted.
Approved by the Mayor, April 15, 1895

✓ Order

Alderman Lamont offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Sewers be, and it hereby is, authorized to solicit proposals for the construction of a Storm Water Drain and Sewer in Broadway and Grove Street, - commencing on the northerly side of Broadway at the junction of Winthrop avenue and thence running along the northerly side of Broadway northerly to Grove street and thence along the northerly side of Grove street to the junction of Pearl street, - said proposals when received to be submitted to this Board.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Sewers be, and it hereby is, authorized to solicit proposals for the construction of a Storm Water Drain and Sewer in Broadway and Sargent Avenue, - commencing on the northerly side of Broadway at the junction of Winthrop avenue and thence running along the southwesterly side of Broadway northwesterly to Sargent avenue and thence in Sargent avenue to the junction of the easterly line of Sherman Court, - said proposals when received to be submitted to this Board.

Adopted.
Approved by the Mayor, April 15, 1895

✓ Report

The Committee on Highways, on an order of March 23rd, for the construction of a brick sidewalk with edgestones in front of the premises on Allen street, owned by Edward Collins, reported that such sidewalk had been constructed at a cost to the city of $35.30, the bricks and edgestones used having been furnished by the petitioner and being satisfactory to the superintendent of streets.

Accepted.

✓ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to purchase a pair of crucible jaws at an expense not to exceed seventy-five dollars, the amount so expended to be charged to Highways Account.

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Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, April 14. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, April 15, 1898.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is instructed to transfer the sum of forty-nine and 16/100 dollars, from Highways, Subway at Sacramento street, to Highways, Subway at Kent street, also to transfer from Highways Account, to Highways, Subway at Kent street, the sum of ninety-nine and 65/100 dollars.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, April 14. Adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, April 15, 1898.

The Committee on Public Property, on an order of February 9th, to purchase a No. 4 Smith Premier Typewriter, for the use of the city engineer and the superintendent of public buildings, reported that such purchase had been made, at a cost of $93.25. Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, April 14. Accepted in concurrence.

Alderman Ball offered the following order:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Grounds be, and it hereby is, authorized to furnish and maintain all plants, shrubs, bulbs, bedding, etc., for the parks and public grounds of the city, for the season of 1898, at a total expense of not exceeding nine hundred dollars ($900); the amount so expended to be charged to Public Grounds account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, April 14. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, April 15, 1898.

The Committee on Printing:- Reports ✓

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on an order of January 13, to have printed for public use, twelve hundred copies of His Honor, the Mayor's Inaugural Address, reported that said number of copies of said address had been printed by the Lowell Journal Company, at a cost to the city of $61.75.

on an order of January 13, to have printed for the use of the city government, seven hundred copies of a pocket register containing lists of the members of the city council and the various committees, the rules and orders and sundry other matters of information and convenience, reported that such printing has been done by Samuel Usher, at a cost to the city of $65.90;

on the communication from the City Government Publishing Company, soliciting subscriptions for its paper, reported inexpedient to take any action.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, April 14, Accepted in concurrence

✓ Report — The Committee on Ordinances, on an order dated February 9th, to report to the City Council an ordinance, or to recommend such legislation as is necessary to place all wires, except those of street railway companies, under ground, reported that a hearing has been given to The New England Telephone & Telegraph Company, which demonstrated that time could be made that would be satisfactory to the said company and the city, and therefore recommend that no further action be taken.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, April 14, Accepted in concurrence

✓ Report — The Committee on Fire Department, to which was referred so much of His Honor, the Mayor's inaugural address as relates to the advisability of passing more stringent building laws with special reference to protection against fire reported an ordinance

Accepted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, April 14, Accepted in concurrence

✓ Ordinance — The ordinance accompanying the foregoing report entitled "An Ordinance Establishing Fire Districts" was

Wednesday, April 10, 1895.

Read twice and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

(see subsequent record)

Alderman Farber offered the following order,— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That, in pursuance of Section three of Chapter one of the Revised Ordinances of 1891, the city clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to cause publication of ordinance No. 75, entitled,— "An Ordinance to amend Chapter two of the Revised Ordinances of 1891," to be made in one issue of the Somerville Journal; the expense incurred to be charged to Printing and Stationery account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, April 14, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 15, 1895.

The Committee on Accounts, on an order dated February 25, to approve in pay-roll of miscellaneous, a bill amounting to $250.50 in favor of Co. H 8th Regt. M.V.M. for defraying the expense of rifle practice for the current year, reported that a bill has been approved as contemplated by said order. Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 14, Accepted in concurrence.

Alderman Huntley offered the following order,— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Board of State Commissioners be, and they hereby are, requested to consider the advisability of remitting the charge for water used by the city for all purposes.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 14. Adopted in concurrence

Presented to the Mayor, April 15, 1895.

The following order, namely,— Order ✓

Ordered:—

Wednesday, April 13, 1898

That the Committee on Finance be, and it hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making an appropriation from Funded Debt account of thirty-five thousand dollars, for the erection of an almshouse on the city's land near the corner of Broadway and Cedar street - which order was laid upon the table at the last meeting, was taken from the table, and adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 14. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 15, 1898.

In Executive Session

√ Report

Received the following report from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department,

— City of Louisville —
Office of
Chief of Fire Dept.

Louisville, Ky., April 4, 1898

Notice of Suspension

To His Honor the Mayor
and Board of Aldermen

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Section 12 of the ordinance concerning the Fire Department, I, on March 30th, suspended Wm. H. Whitcomb, Driver of Hook and Ladder wagon, No. 2.

Cause of suspension. Being under the influence of liquor and incapable of driving on March 26-27. This is not the first time that Whitcomb has been guilty of this offense, and he has been pretty warned of the consequence of a repetition of such conduct.

James A. Hopkins,
Chief Engineer

Laid upon the table.

In Open Session

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Adjourned.

Attest.

George S. Vincent
Clerk

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville, April 20, 1898 - 8 P.M.

The President, Alderman Ball, presiding.
Alderman Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Dawlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved.

✓ Hearings

In pursuance of orders approved March 17th, hearings were given for all persons desiring to object to the construction of sidewalks in

✓ Albion street,
✓ Campbell Park,
✓ Claremont street,
✓ Concord avenue,
✓ Essex street,
✓ Gilman street,
✓ Hudson street,
✓ Montrose street,
✓ Robinson street,
✓ Springfield street,
✓ Summer street,

and

✓ Higgleworth street,

all parties interested having been duly notified, as appears by the officer's returns recorded, respectively, on pages 269-272-275-278-281-284-287-290-293-296 and 299 of volume 3, and page 2 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction, - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

In the Albion street hearing, Messrs. Homer L. Richardson and Frank B. Dolan appeared and objected to the proposed sidewalk because of the expense, and because it was thought the edgestones would hold the water on the sidewalk, making the same muddy in the spring and fall, whereas at present, without an edgestone, the water runs off into the gutter, allowing the sidewalk to dry up after a time. Mr. Richardson also read letters, in objection to the sidewalk, from William S. Stearns, F. E. Hills - guardian of Henry D. Cowles, - Ella F. Greenwood, and B. F. Seavey. Reverend S. S. Nickerson and Messrs. J. C. Joseph Flamand,

Wednesday, April 20, 1898.

John R. Wilson, James Morrison and John Andrews, appeared and favored the proposed sidewalk in Albion street, because it would improve the street and provide a gravel sidewalk instead of the earth sidewalk now there, which is very muddy in certain seasons, and would prevent horses and vehicles from going upon the sidewalk.

In the Campbell Park hearing, Mrs Poke and Barry appeared, not to object to the proposed sidewalk, but to complain because it was to be covered with gravel instead of bricks, the latter being asked for in the petition.

In the Hudson street hearing, Mr Homer L. Richardson, appeared and objected to the proposed sidewalk because of the expense.

In the Summer street hearing, Mr Patrick Shannon, appeared, and objected for himself, and also in behalf of Mr Goulding, because of the expense; also because his land is vacant, as is also a considerable portion of Mr Goulding's, which she proposes to sell in lots. The City Clerk also stated that he had been requested by Mrs Byard, to object, for herself and her mother and sister because of the expense.

In the Wigglesworth street hearing, Mr Hayden appeared and complained because it is proposed to lay a brick sidewalk with edgestones on the easterly side of the street only, and to do nothing whatever upon the westerly side. The petition called for brick sidewalks upon both sides, and if the cost of carrying it out would be too great, he thought it would be better and would be treating the people on the westerly side of the street more fairly if gravel sidewalks with edgestones were constructed on both sides, instead of brick on the easterly side alone. Mr Woodward also appeared and coincided with the statements made by Mr Hayden. Mr Moore, owning on the easterly side of the street, appeared and said that while he did not object to the proposed brick sidewalk on his side, yet he thought it would be fairer for all concerned if the suggestions of Mr Hayden were carried out.

No other persons interested appearing, and desiring to be heard in either case, the hearings were closed.

Received from the Common Council the report received by the board, at the last meeting, from the city engineer, in relation to a system of storm, drainage and improved sewerage facilities for different parts of the city to relieve over-flooded cellars, endorsed as follows, - Report ✓

Wednesday, April 20, 1895

In Common Council, April 14, 1895. Concurrence refused and Report referred to a Joint Special Committee consisting of His Honor, the Mayor, three members of the Common Council and such number of the Board of Aldermen as may be joined. Sent up for concurrence. Councilmen Story, Kenney and Gracey appointed on the part of this branch.

Further action was taken as follows:—

In Board of Aldermen, April 20, 1895. Adhered to former action. Sent down for information.

In Common Council, April 20, 1895. Adhered to former action and Committee of Conference asked for. Councilmen Story, Kenney and Burns appointed on the part of this branch. Sent up for information.

In Board of Aldermen, April 20, 1895. Laid on the table.

√ Communication

Received from the Common Council, the communication received by the board at its last meeting, from Messrs. Blaney & Robinson, in behalf of L. H. Dow, saying that he will contribute his land for a boulevard from Powder House Park to the Pumping Station, with certain provisions, endorsed as follows:—

In Common Council, April 14, 1895, Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and sent up for concurrence. Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

Action by the Board was taken as follows:—

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds in concurrence.

√ Petition

Received from the Common Council, a petition from E. S. Sparrow and others, that a wide crossing be placed nearly opposite #421 Highland avenue, at the stopping place of the electric cars.

In Common Council, April 14, Referred to Committee on Highways and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, April 20. Reference concurred in.

√ Petition

Received from the Common Council a petition from David W. Crocker and others, that a public sanitary be placed in or near Davis Square for the accommodation of the public.

In Common Council, April 14, Referred to Committee on Public Property and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, April 20. Reference concurred in.

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Received from the Common Council the following order,— Order ✓ to change names of streets crossing Highland avenue.

Ordered:—

That the streets in this city, crossing Highland avenue, bearing the following names, to wit:— Walnut street, School street, Central street, Lowell street, Cedar street, Cherry street and Willow avenue be, and are hereafter designated as, East and West Walnut street, East and West School street, East and West Central street, East and West Lowell, East and West Cedar street, East and West Cherry street, East and West Willow avenue.

(signed) Orice A. Gracey

In Common Council, April 14. Referred to Committee on Highways and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, April 20, Returned, concurred in.

Received from the Common Council the following order,— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Highways be, and it hereby is, requested to supply ice, during the months of May, June, July, August, and Sept. for the drinking fountains in Union and Davis Square.

(signed) James H. Kenny

In Common Council, April 20, Read twice and adopted. Sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, April 20, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 22, 1898.

Received from the Common Council the following order,— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Finance be hereby instructed to consider the advisability of appropriating from Funded Debt account a sum not to exceed forty thousand dollars, for the purchase of land, and the construction thereon of a six-room school-house in Ward four.

(signed) Isaac A. Story

In Common Council, April 14, Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, April 20, Laid on the table.

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√ Order	Received from the Common Council the following order:-
	Ordered:-
	That His Honor, the Mayor petition the railroad commissioners upon the necessity of them requesting the Boston and Maine Railroad Company to provide a flag-man at the Thorndike street crossing in Ward four.
	(signed) John F. Foster
	In Common Council, April 14. Adopted and sent up for concurrence.
	In Board of Aldermen, April 20. Laid on the table, and City Solicitor requested to prepare a suitable order for the purpose herein indicated and present it to this board.
√ Order	Received from the Common Council, the following order:-
	Ordered:-
	That the City Messenger be instructed to subscribe for seventeen copies of "City Government" published by City Government Publishing Company, to be sent to such members of the common council as may wish them; the expense to be charged to Printing and Stationery account
	(signed) Charles A. Grimmons.
	In Common Council, April 14. Read twice and adopted. Sent up for concurrence
	In Board of Aldermen, April 20. Read once. Second reading refused.
√ Ordinance	Received from the Common Council the ordinance passed to be enrolled by this board, April 13th, entitled "An ordinance establishing Fire Districts," endorsed as follows:-
	In Common Council, April 14, 1898. Received its first reading and referred to Committee on Ordinances and sent up for concurrence.
	Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.
	Action by the Board was taken as follows:-
	In Board of Aldermen, April 20. Adhered to former action. Sent down for information.
	(see subsequent record)
√ Report	Received the following report from the City Solicitor:-

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To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Gentlemen:-

As to the legality of the order dated April 13, 1898, remitting fee for certain licenses, I submit the following opinion.

Public Statutes, chapter 102, sec. 115, reads: "The Mayor and Aldermen of a city ..... may license ..... public amusements, and exhibitions of every description, to which admission is obtained upon payment of money ....., upon such terms and conditions as they deem reasonable."

Statutes 1882, chapter 164, reads: "In all laws relating to cities, the words mayor and aldermen shall ..... be construed to mean board of aldermen ....."

Chapter XXVI of the Revised Ordinances provides that certain fees shall be charged for licenses.

This ordinance, however, cannot, I think, limit the authority given the board of aldermen by the statutes quoted above, and in my opinion the order is valid.

Very respectfully,

Frank H. Kaan

City Solicitor

April 15, 1898.

Placed on file.

The order forming the subject matter of the foregoing report of the city solicitor, to wit:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That on and after this date all fees for licenses granted to the Somerville High School Athletic Association for public exhibition, be and the same hereby are remitted, - was

Adopted

Received a petition from the Somerville High School Base-ball Association for a license for an exhibition base-ball game on the Tufts Oval, Tuesday afternoon, April 19th; recommended by the Chief of Police, approved by the mayor, and license issued by the city clerk. Petition ✓

Issuing of license approved.

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√ Petition — Received a petition from the Tufts College Athletic Association for a license for a base ball game, on Tufts Grad. Thursday afternoon, April 21, approved by the Chief of Police.

License granted

√ Petitions — Received petitions from,—

William Bryant, of 79 Webster avenue, for a license to collect junk;

William H. Fish and Solomon S. Higgins, for licenses as auctioneers;

John F. Fay, for a license to keep two pool tables, at 351 Somerville avenue;

Jacob Dermont, at 156 Somerville avenue; Kate Dempsey, at 1298 & 1300 Broadway, and Frank E. Lincoln, on behalf of the West End Street Railway Company, near its car house, off Broadway near the Arlington line,—for licenses as to common victuallers;

William H. Fish, at 420 Highland avenue, and Arthur L. Hayden, at 18 Union Square,—for licenses to keep intelligence offices;

Angelo Di Lillo and Pasquale Di Lino, for a license to play a piano organ in the streets;

Carl Keller, with five others,—and Karl Schurg, with four others,—for licenses as street bands;

all of said petitions having reference to the year beginning May first;

Referred to Committee on Licenses

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses, of the fifth class, for the sale of intoxicating liquors, for the year beginning May 1st, from the following named druggists and apothecaries, each petition being accompanied by the requisite certificate of the State Board of Registration in Pharmacy, namely:—

James William Bean, at 261 Broadway;

Frederick H. Gray, at 524 Somerville avenue;

Adam T. McCollum, at 55 Elm street;

Ralph B. Perkins, at 106 Central street;

Also received a petition from William A. Bell and thirty-three other physicians of the city, that there be granted to the druggists of Somerville, licenses of the fifth class for the sale of alcoholic stimulants;

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses to sell fireworks for the current season,

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from,—
Justus D. Dunbar, at #2 No. Union street,
Arthur L. Hayden, at #18 Union square,
Eleanor A. Sears, at #90 Elm street;
Referred to Committee on Fire Department.

Received petitions for licenses as drain layers, for the year beginning May 1st, from— Petitions ✓
Timothy F. Crimmings, William F. Cunningham, Charles A. Kelley and Daniel W. Perry,
Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Received petitions from,— Petitions ✓
Gertrude Cummings, for a permit to set a hitching-post at #19 Robinson street.
William L. Holmes, for the removal of the middle one of three trees in front of his premises #316 Beacon street, as the tree is unsightly and causes much dampness in his house; also that the other two trees be trimmed;
F. L. Skillin and others, for a gravel sidewalk, with edgestones, on the easterly side of Burnside avenue, from Summer street to Elm street;
Referred to Committee on Highways.

Received petitions from,— Petitions ✓
Duncan A. McLean and others, for the acceptance of Lowell street, between Highland avenue and Crown street;
E. Alton Pieber, that the grade of the edgestones on the northeasterly side of Montrose street be raised at or near Sycamore street about nine inches;
Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, April 20 and 28, respectively, References concurred in.

Received petitions from,— Petitions ✓
Mrs. Ella Gertrude Cummings and others, that Robinson street be watered;
George Walker and others, that Wallace street be watered;
Referred to Committee on Water, and sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, April 20, Reference concurred in.

✓ Order

Alderman Huntley offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That a message be sent to the common council, requesting a convention of the two branches of the city council in the Common Council Chamber this evening, for the purpose of electing a member, from ward one, of the board of overseers of the poor, for the term of four years.

Adopted, and Alderman Huntley appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council.

In Common Council, April 20, Request granted and Councilman Crocker appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.

Convention

In Convention of the City Council

The President of the Board of Aldermen, Alderman Ball, presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball, President Nelson and Councilmen, Kenney, Smith, Grimmons, Thomson, Burns, Burrow, Gracey, Story, Crocker, Berry, Lord and Foster present.

✓ Election

In pursuance of the order passed this evening, the convention proceeded to ballot for a member, from Ward one, of the Board of Overseers of the Poor, for the term of four years.

The chair appointed Alderman Lapham and Councilmen Burns and Story a committee to receive, assort and count the votes, and after performing their duty, they reported as follows,-

Whole number of ballots - 21

Necessary for choice - 11

Herbert E. Merrill has - 21

and Herbert E. Merrill was declared by the chair, elected.

Convention dissolved.

The purpose for which it was assembled having been accomplished, the convention was dissolved, and the Board of Aldermen returned to its chamber.

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In Board of Aldermen	Board of Aldermen
The President, Alderman Ball, presiding. Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.	
The Committee on Licenses,	Reports ✓
on the petitions for licenses for the year beginning May 1st, as auctioneers, from J. Albion Briggs, Fred E. Davis, J. Robert Fenelon, George W. Foster, Joseph J. Giles, Haskell W. Gleason, Walter H. Gleason, F. De Witt Lapham, Stillman H. Libby, Luther B. Pillsbury, Jiba M. Saunders, Charles W. Sawyer, Jesse J. Underhill, Harry Van Idestine and Rufus West, reported an order;	
on petitions for licenses, for the year beginning May 1st, from Henry W. P. Colson to keep two (2) billiard tables and one (1) pool table at Hotel Colson, #62 Highland avenue; John F. Fay, to keep one (1) pool table at #14½ Medford street, and Robert Jameson, to keep five (5) bowling alleys and two (2) billiard and two (2) pool tables, at #341 Somerville avenue, reported an order;	
on petitions for licenses as common victuallers, for the year beginning May 1st, from Martin H. Brann, Warren Davis Church, Charles F. Davenport, Rebecca Fosdick, Austin H. Goldthwait, Margaret Hennessey, George F. Hunnewell, Thomas H. Joyce, Sayrene B. McAskill, Ada G. Murch, Josie O'Neil, Frederick W. Pearson, Daniel H. Rinn, Noah O. Robinson, George A. Sanders, Fred B. Slade, and Hiram Turner, reported an order;	
on petitions for licenses as innholders, for the year beginning May 1st, from Lucy A. Bellows, Henry W. P. Colson and George B. Ricker, reported an order;	
on the petition of Oliver G. Fosdick, for a license for the year beginning May 1st, to keep an intelligence office at #33 Elm street, reported an order;	
on the petition of William F. Tasker, for a license as a private detective, for the year beginning May 1st, reported an order;	

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on petitions for licenses, for the year beginning May 1st, to play hand-organs in the streets, from Egidio Argenzio, Angelo Turco and Giovanni Di Napoli, reported an order;

Accepted.

✓ Orders

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows:-

Ordered:-

That a license as an Auctioneer, under the laws of the Commonwealth, for the term of one year from the first day of May, 1898, be issued to each of the following named persons, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for such license; provided that no charge for such license shall be made to any soldier or sailor who served in the army or navy during the war of the rebellion, and received an honorable discharge from such service.

J. Albion Briggs,
Fred E. Davis,
J. Robert Fenelon,
George H. Foster,
Joseph J. Giles,
Haskell H. Gleason,
Walter L. Gleason,
F. De Witt Lapham,
Stillman C. Libby,
Luther B. Pillsbury,
Jiba Madison Saunders,
Charles H. Sawyer,
Jesse Johnson Underhill,
Harry Lane Industrie,
Rufus West.

Ordered:-

That a license, under the laws of the Commonwealth, to keep, for public hire, Billiard, Pool, or Sippio Tables, or Bowling Alleys, as hereinafter stated, be issued to each of the following named parties, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for each table or alley to be kept under said license; such license to expire on the first day of May 1899, unless sooner revoked.

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Name of Party	Number of Tables or Alleys: Billiard Tables	Pool Tables	Lyon Tables	Bowling Alleys	To be Kept at
Henry H. P. Colson	2	1			Hotel Colson, 62 Highland avenue
John F. Fay		1			14 1/2 Medford street
Robert Jameson	2	2		5	341 Somerville avenue

Ordered:-

That a license as a Common Victualler, under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to each of the following-named parties, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
Martin M. Brown	13 Medina Bldg, Davis square
Warren David Church	61 Day street
Charles F. Davenport	810 Somerville avenue
Rebecca Fosdick	33 Elm street
Austin H. Goldthwait	683 Somerville avenue
Margaret Hennessy	538 Medford street
George F. Hunnewell	164 A School street
Thomas H. Joyce	270 Elm street
Sayrene B. McAlister	10 Bow street
Ada C. Merck	419 Somerville avenue
Jose O'Neil	543 Somerville avenue
Frederick H. Pearson	304 Broadway
Daniel H. Rian	30 Union square
Noah O. Robinson	133 A Washington street
George A. Sanders	15 Bow street
Fred B. Slade	15 Union square
Hiram Turner	198 Highland avenue

Ordered:-

That a license as a Somholder, under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to each of the following-named parties, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April 1899, unless sooner revoked.

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Name of Party	Place of Business
Lucy A. Pellowe	73 Perkins street
Henry G. P. Colson	Hotel Colson, 62 Highland avenue
George C. Archer	Hotel Goodridge, 291 Elm street

Ordered:-

That a license to keep an Intelligence Office, under the laws of the Commonwealth, be issued to the following-named party at the place of business hereinafter specified, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for such license, which license shall expire on the first day of May, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
Oliver G. Fredick	33 Elm street

Ordered:-

That a license as a private detective, under the provisions of section 7 of chapter 105 of the Public Statutes, be issued to William F. Tasker, when he shall have paid into the City Treasury the sum of ten dollars for such license and shall have furnished a bond with two sureties in the sum of three thousand dollars, approved by this board; said license to expire May 1, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to each of the following named persons to perform on musical instruments in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license, when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of fifty cents for each person so licensed; such license to expire on the first day of May 1899 unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Egidio Argenzio - to play hand-organ
Angelo Turco - " "

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the following named person to perform on musical instruments in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license, when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of fifty cents for each person so licensed; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

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Giovanni Di Napoli, - to play hand-organ.
Adopted.

The Committee on Sewers, in pursuance of an order dated April 13, submitted the following list of proposals received to construct a storm water drain and sewer in Broadway and Cross street, proposals being compared on the basis of an estimate of quantities of work to be done, made by the City Engineer, which is, as follows:- Report ✓

1900 linear feet of earth excavation and refilling above grade, in trench for 3 ft. 6 in. sewer.
1370 cubic yards of rock excavation in trench.
1900 linear feet of 4 inch to 10 inch underdrain.
500 cubic yards Portland cement concrete, mixed 6, 3 and 1.
100 cubic yards Rosendale cement concrete, mixed 5, 2 and 1.
170 cubic yards brick masonry Portland cement mortar.
330 cubic yards brick masonry Rosendale cement mortar.

Names of bidders	Lin. ft. of sewer	Rock excavation	underdrain	Portland concrete	Rosendale concrete	Portland brickwork	Rosendale brickwork	Estimated aggregate
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Charles A. Dugan	3.75	6.50	0.15	6.00	4.50	15.00	12.00	26,275.00
J. H. A. Knight	3.00	6.25	0.20	7.00	6.00	16.50	14.00	26,167.50
J. J. Newman	3.75	4.50	0.25	6.45	5.00	14.25	12.85	24,153.00
E. H. Everson & Co.	4.00	4.00	0.25	6.00	5.00	15.00	12.00	23,565.00
George H. Judd	3.75	4.00	0.20	5.60	5.00	15.00	13.50	23,290.00
Charles G. Crail	2.25	3.50	0.15	5.75	5.00	13.50	12.00	18,985.00
John J. Falvey	3.00	2.75	0.15	5.50	4.50	12.50	11.00	18,707.50
J. P. O'Connell	2.20	3.00	0.15	6.00	5.00	14.50	13.50	18,665.00
C. E. Trumbull & Co.	3.40	3.50	0.10	4.34	3.65	9.21	8.09	18,215.40
H. A. Hanscom & Co.	2.07	3.25	0.13	5.75	4.75	13.00	11.50	17,987.50
T. H. Bryne	1.80	2.50	0.25	6.50	5.00	14.00	12.00	17,410.00

and the committee reported an order.
Accepted.

The Committee on Sewers, in pursuance of an order approved April 13, submitted the following list of proposals received to construct a storm water drain and sewer in Broadway and Sargent avenue, proposals being compared on the basis of an estimate of quantities of work to be done, made by the City Engineer, which is, as follows,- Report ✓

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730 lin ft of earth excavation and refilling above grade, in trench for 5 ft 2 in sewer

920 lin ft of earth excavation and refilling above grade, in trench for 4 ft 8 in sewer

1000 cubic yards rock excavation in trench

1650 lin ft of 4 in to 10 in underdrain

650 cu yds Portland cement concrete, mixed 6, 3 and 1

100 cu yds Rosendale cement concrete, mixed 5, 2 and 1

190 cu yds brick masonry, Portland cement mortar

350 cu yds brick masonry, Rosendale cement mortar

Names of Bidders	Lin ft of earth excavation	Lin ft of earth excavation	Rock excavation	underdrain	Portland cement concrete	Rosendale cement concrete	Brick masonry cement	Rosendale masonry cement	Estimated aggregate
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
J. H. McKnight	3.70	3.50	6.50	0.20	7.00	6.00	16.50	14.00	26,006.00
J. J. Newman & Co.	5.60	5.25	4.50	0.25	6.45	5.00	14.25	12.85	25,791.00
George H. Judd	5.40	4.40	4.00	0.20	5.60	5.00	15.00	13.50	24,160.00
E. H. Everson & Co.	4.50	4.00	4.00	0.25	6.00	5.00	15.00	12.00	22,887.50
Maurice Buttimer	3.50	3.40	5.00	0.25	7.00	5.50	14.50	12.00	21,510.50
Charles G. Crail	2.75	2.50	3.75	0.15	5.75	5.00	13.50	12.00	19,380.00
J. P. O'Connell	2.75	2.35	3.00	0.15	6.00	5.00	14.50	12.50	19,022.00
Charles A. Morgan	3.50	2.50	3.00	0.10	6.00	4.50	13.00	11.75	19,005.00
T. H. Bryne	2.57	2.25	2.50	0.25	6.50	5.00	14.00	12.00	18,478.60
C. E. Trumbull & Co.	3.85	3.55	3.50	0.10	4.34	3.65	9.21	8.09	17,534.60
H. A. Hanscom & Co.	2.60	2.06	2.75	0.10	5.50	4.50	12.50	11.00	17,013.20
Richard Talvy	2.60	2.40	2.30	0.12	5.20	4.50	12.50	10.25	16,444.00

and the committee presented an order.

Accepted.

√ Orders

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows:-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Sewers be, and it hereby is, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with T. H. Bryne for the construction of a storm water drain and sewer in Broadway and Cross street, at the prices named in his proposal submitted in said committee's report of this date.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, April 21, 1898.

Ordered:-

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That the Committee on Sewers be, and it hereby is, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with Richard Falvey, for the construction of a storm water drain and sewer in Broadway and Sargent avenue, at the prices named in his proposal submitted in said committee's report of this date.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, April 23, 1898.

Alderman Lapham offered orders for the construction of sidewalks in

Campbell Park,
Claremont street,
Concord avenue,
Essex street,
Gilman street,
Hudson street,
Montrose street,
Robinson street,
and
Springfield street,

are recorded, respectively, on pages 273-276-279-282-285-288-291-294 and 297 of volume 3 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction of the Mayor, and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, April 21, 1898.

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on the petition of Benjamin F. Freeman, for the removal of a tree standing in the sidewalk on Ashmun street, partly on the west side of lot 22 Broadway, reported an order of notice;

on the petition of Ellsworth Fish, for permission to blast rock on his land, bounded northeasterly by Dyetic avenue, and southeasterly by Temple street, for the year beginning May 1st, reported an order;

on the petition of the Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to erect nine poles, and to remove six poles in Main street, reported an

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order;

on the petition of the Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to erect one pole, on Chandler street, and another in Warwick street, and to remove a pole standing on Florence street, reported an order;

on the petition of the Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to erect one pole, in Broadway Parkway, four in Willow avenue, one in Benedict street, one in Temple street, and two in Medford street, and to remove certain poles in said Broadway Parkway, and in said Willow avenue, Benedict street, Temple street, and Medford street, reported an order;

on the petition of the West End Street Railway Company, for locations for a double track in Bow and Summer streets, from Summer to Central, with necessary connections, etc., with its car-house on Summer street, or (as this board may deem best) for locations for a double track in Bow street, and a single track with necessary turnouts and connections, from Summer street to Central street, - the petition of A. F. Green and others, that the West End Street Railway Company be invited to double track Summer street, and to extend tracks to Belmont street, -

and the remonstrances of Martha Perry Low and others, and Frederick W. Gay and others, against the granting of permission to lay a double track in Summer street, or to extend the track beyond its present terminus, and the remonstrances of William D. Weld and others, against granting permission to lay a double track in Summer street, reported an order for a hearing;

on the petition of the West End Street Railway Company, for leave to construct, maintain and use tracks and curves in Union Square, Washington street, Somerville avenue, Webster avenue and Bow street, as indicated on plan submitted, reported an order for a hearing;

Accepted.

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The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows;-

Whereas, in the opinion of this Board, the public convenience and necessity require the removal of the tree hereinafter mentioned, to wit:-

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one tree standing on Mt. Vernon street, at west side of lot No. 22 Broadway, it is hereby Ordered, that public notice be given by the City Clerk, by causing an attested copy of this order to be published in one issue of the Somerville Journal, a newspaper published in said city, and by causing a similar copy to be posted upon the tree before mentioned, that this Board intends to remove the said tree, and that Wednesday, the 27th day of April 1898, at 8 o'clock P.M. and the Mayor and Aldermen's room in the City Hall, are assigned as the time and place for the hearing, by this Board, of any objections which may be made thereto.

Read, twice, and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, April 21, 1898.

Ordered:

That permission be, and hereby is, granted, under the provisions of the ordinances of the city, to Ellsworth Fish to blast rock or stone on his land, bounded northeasterly by Mystic avenue and southeasterly by Temple street, for the term beginning May 1, 1898, and ending May 1, 1899, unless such permission be sooner revoked.

Adopted.

Orders granting permission to the Somerville Electric Light Company to erect and remove poles in

Main street

with permission for the use of the same by the The New England Tel. & Tel. Co. of Mass.

Agreements from light company and telephone and telegraph company filed June 10, 1898.

Chandler and Harvich streets and Broadway Parkway, Willow avenue, Benedict street, Temple street and Medford street as recorded, respectively, on pages 132, 133 and 134 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires-Street Railways and Moving Buildings, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Agreement filed June 25, 1898.

Agreement filed May 28, 1898.

Adopted.

Orders of notice of hearings on petitions of the West End Street Railway Company for locations for tracks in

Bow and Summer streets,

Union square, Washington street, Somerville avenue, Webster avenue and Bow street as recorded, respectively, on pages 240 and 242, of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires-Street Railways and Moving Buildings, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

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Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, April 21, 1898.

✓ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to Mess. Collins and Ham, to make one experimental blast in the presence of this board at their ledge on Clarendon Hill, weather permitting, on Monday next, April 25th, at 2 o'clock P.M.

Adopted.

✓ Order

The vote passed April 13, adopting an order for a hearing on the question of granting permission for the blasting of rock in the ledge on Clarendon Hill, owned by Messrs Collins and Ham, was reconsidered.

The order was amended by striking out the words "the 27th inst." and inserting in the place thereof the words "Wednesday, May 11th, 1898, at 8 o'clock P.M." As thus amended, adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, April 21, 1898.

✓ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the City Engineer be, and he hereby is, directed to prepare and submit to this board, plans for the re-numbering of those streets in the city which extend into the City of Cambridge; the numbers on such streets to be continuous in the two cities without regard to the boundary line; the expense incurred to be charged to Engineering Department Account.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, April 22, 1898.

✓ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to place on all buildings not already provided with numbers, suitable figures to designate the proper numbers; the expense so incurred to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, April 20, Read twice, and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 22, 1898.

The Committee on Public Property, on an order dated February 9th, to consider the advisability of purchasing a tract of land in rear of the Sanford Grammar School house, reported, inadvisable to make such purchase. — Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 20, Accepted in concurrence.

Alderman Cummings offered the following order:- — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be, and it hereby is, authorized to expend, a sum not exceeding ninety-four dollars, in order to obtain the right, for such period of time as said committee shall deem expedient, of purchasing a certain lot of land on the northerly side of Farlington street, known as the Flagg estate, for the section of a school-house; it being understood that such sum as shall be expended shall, if said parcel of land is purchased under the right so obtained, be credited on the purchase thereof.

The amount expended under this order to be charged to School house Land, Grammar, account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council April 20, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 22, 1898.

Alderman Cummings offered the following order:- — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be, and it hereby is, authorized to procure suitable guards for seven windows of the City Treasurer's office in the City Hall, at an expense of not exceeding fifty-six dollars; the amount so expended to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be, and it hereby is,

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authorized to place a sign designating the building on the front of the City Hall Annex, corner of Highland avenue and Walnut street, at an expense of not exceeding fifty-five dollars, the amount so expended to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 20, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 22, 1898.

✓ Order

Alderman Cummings offered the following order:-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and it hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making appropriations from funded debt for the following purposes, viz:-

School house, English High,
for alterations and improvements $1,000.00

Prescott School-house,
for improved heating and ventilating apparatus 6,000.00

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council April 20, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 22, 1898.

✓ Report

The Committee on Public Property, on an order dated March 23d, to consider the advisability of constructing a porch and gallery at the front entrance of the City Hall, and to report an estimate of its cost, reported that in the judgment of the committee such porch and gallery could be constructed at a cost of about fourteen hundred dollars, and submitted an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 20, Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and it hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making an appropriation of fourteen hundred dollars for the construction of a porch and gallery at the front entrance to City Hall.

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, April 20, Adoption non-concurred in. Sent up for information.

The Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, on the petitions of Henry H. P. Colson, that an arc light or an incandescent light be furnished and maintained by the City in Spring Hill Terrace, reported an order. — Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 20, Accepted in concurrence.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to maintain, at the expense of the city, the incandescent light now located in Spring Hill Terrace; the expense so incurred to be charged to Street Lights account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 20, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 22, 1898.

Alderman Dowlin offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Printing be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to have printed one hundred copies each, of the seventeen street lists of accessed polls, as compiled by the Board of Assessors for the year 1898, and twenty copies additional of the whole, to be bound in half leather for the use of the Assessors and Registrars of Voters; the same to be delivered at the Assessors Office on or before the fifteenth day of July next, in accordance with section 18 of Chapter 417 of the Acts of 1890; the expense so incurred to be charged to Printing and Stationery account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 20, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 22, 1898.

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✓ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order:-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and it hereby is, requested to consider the matter of fixing the salary of the City Physician.

(signed) James H. Kinney

In Common Council, April 30, Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, April 30, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 30, 1898.

✓ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order:-

Whereas, in the name of humanity, and for the cause of freedom, Congress has passed resolutions which are likely to involve the United States and the government of Spain in a conflict of Arms, - it is hereby

Ordered:- That the heads of the various city departments are authorized and requested to grant leave of absence, without pay, to such employees of their several departments, as may feel called upon to enter the service of our country at this critical period in answer to a call for volunteers, and that such leave of absence shall not prevent their return to the active duties and pay of their several positions within six months after the termination of such service, and it is further

Ordered:- That the City Clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of these resolutions to each of the heads of the City Departments. (signed) Isaac McKay

In Common Council, April 30, Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, April 30, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 30, 1898.

✓ Report

On the report of the Committee on Licenses, presented at the last meeting, on the petitions for liquor licenses of the sixth class, from Charles C. Crane, George B. Grover and Arthur B. Grover, recommending that the licenses be granted, together with a minority report from Alderman Huntley, that the petitioners be given leave to withdraw, Alderman Huntley moved that the minority be substituted for the majority report.

The motion was lost by a yea and nay vote, Alderman Huntley, Lamont and Kilmer -3- voting in the affirmative, and Alderman Lapham, Tarbox, Davlin, Cummings and Ball -5- voting in the negative. The majority report was then accepted by a yea and nay vote, Alderman Lapham, Tarbox, Davlin, Cummings and Ball -5- voting in the affirmative and Alderman Huntley, Lamont and Kilmer -3- voting in the negative.

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The order presented with the foregoing report is as follows:— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the City Clerk be, and is hereby, directed to issue to the following named parties, druggists and apothecaries and registered pharmacists, a license of the 10th class to sell liquors for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes only, and to such persons only, as may certify in writing for what use they may want it, at their places of business, when they shall have filed with the City Treasurer a satisfactory bond in the sum of one thousand dollars, said license to date from May 1st, 1898, and to continue in force for one year, unless sooner revoked.

Names	Location
Charles L. Crane,	154 Perkins St. two rooms on first floor
George D. Grover,	146 Broadway, front room on first floor
Arthur P. Grover,	146 Grove St. front room on first floor

Adopted.

Adjourned.

Attest,

George S. Vincent

Clerk

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville, April 27, 1898. 8 P.M.

The President, Alderman Ball, presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved.

√ Hearing — In pursuance of an order approved April 21, a hearing was given for all persons desiring to object to the removal of a tree standing on Mt. Vernon street at the westerly side of lot #22 Broadway; due notice of the hearing having been published and posted as required by said order.
No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

√ Hearing — In pursuance of an approved March 25, a hearing was given for all persons desiring to object to the construction of a granolithic sidewalk and edgestones on the southwesterly side of Monmouth street, from Central street to the northwesterly line of the estate of Amelia Letherbee; all parties interested having been duly notified as appears by the officer's return, recorded on page 5 of volume 4, of the Records of Sidewalks, Hearings and Construction of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.
No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

√ Communication — Received the following communication from His Honor, the Mayor.

City of Somerville, Mass.
Mayor's Office

April 27th, 1898.

To the Honorable City Council:-

In view of the existing state of war between the United States and Spain, it seems proper that the various municipalities in our country should take all reasonable and lawful steps to encourage enlistments in the volunteer service. Many brave and patriotic men are eager to serve their country at the front, but are held back by sacred obligations to families dependent upon them for support.

I would respectfully recommend that your Honorable Body adopt an

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ordinance, authorizing the Mayor to petition the General Court for such legislation as will enable the City Council to appropriate sums of money from time to time for the relief of needy families of volunteers, who shall enlist in the service of the United States during the war with Spain.

I would further recommend that the Committee on Public Property be directed to procure a suitable flag and staff for the City Hall, and that the "Stars and Stripes" be daily displayed from the building during the continuance of hostilities.

I deeply regret that illness prevents me from taking active part in your deliberations, but I have been pleased to learn of the patriotic spirit manifested by the members of both branches of the City Council in the trying weeks that have passed since I was last permitted to meet with my official associates at City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Albert A. Perry,
Mayor.

Read and sent down for information.
In Common Council, April 17, Read for information.

Received from the Common Council, the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance establishing Fire Districts," which was passed to be enacted by this board April 15th, and was returned by the Common Council to the Committee on Ordinances April 16th, in non-concurrence, and on which this board voted, April 20th, to adhere to its former action, — entered as follows, — Ordinance ✓

In Common Council, April 20, Adhered to former action and a Committee of Conference requested. Sent up for information. Councilmen Burns, Kenny and Smith appointed on the part of this branch.

Chas. S. Ackerson, Clerk.

Action by this board was taken as follows, —

Decided from former action, and voted to appoint a committee of conference to confer with a similar committee from the Common Council. Aldermen Keightley, Parker and Cummings appointed as such committee, on the part of this board.

Received from the School Committee a statement, made by the Communication ✓

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Superintendent of Schools, as to the present conditions and the prospective conditions in September 1898, and in April and September 1899, in certain of the school districts of the city, and saying that to provide necessary accommodations, a six-room schoolhouse should be provided somewhere in Ward four, and probably another somewhere in Ward three, in addition to the schoolhouse proposed to be erected the present year on Washington street. The opinion was expressed in the communication that "the policy of the city in the past, with regard to the size of its school buildings, has been a very expensive one. In the interests of economical management our grammar school pupils should have been moved in large buildings of 16 or 18 rooms. Primary scholars should be distributed in small buildings easily accessible. Aside from the question of the expenses of maintenance, 8-room buildings are undesirable for other reasons. They are too small for grammar schools and too large for primary schools." It was also stated that a desirable location for a new six-room schoolhouse in Ward four would be north of Highland Avenue and near to or a little west of Willow avenue.

Referred to Committee on Public Property and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27. Reference concurred in.

√ Petitions

Received petitions, each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following named minors:

William A. Adams, Livingstone Blake, Frank A. Carter, Leonard C. Corliss,
Norman A. Corliss, Carl Dodge, Lester L. Graves, Charles E. Jenkins,
Merrill S. Lovering, Charles H. Pratt, William A. Roberts, Joseph J. Scannell,
Thomas J. Scannell, Toby J. White,

all approved by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

√ Petitions

Received a petition from the Somerville High School Athletic Association, for a license for a base-ball game on Tufts Oval, Thursday afternoon, April 28, recommended by the Chief of Police.

License granted.

√ Petitions

Received petitions for licenses to ring a bell in the streets for the sale

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of ice-cream from,-
William Barfarlane, "182 Pearl street.
Francesco A. Romano, "462 Main street, Charlestown.
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received petitions for licenses to cry their goods on the streets, from William Bryant, fish and vegetables; William Bryant, junk; Charles Lester Gilliat, Edward J. Murphy, Robert Shaw, Jr., John Sweeney, Vincenzo Valente, Constantine Karlas, and Frank White; all residing in Somerville, except Karlas, who has a $50.00 State license, and resides at #476 Commercial St., Boston. — Petitions ✓
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received petitions for licenses to collect junk, from- Benjamin Cohen, Abraham Fuhrman, Charles Kanzberg, Davis Lampert, James Sugare, Philip Weiner, Frank White, and Reuben Winkrop, all residing in Somerville, except Lampert, who has a tin peddler's license for the County of Middlesex. — Petitions ✓
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received a petition from Abraham Fuhrman, for a license to keep a store for the purchase, sale, and barter of junk at #221 Columbia street. — Petition ✓
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received petitions for licenses as auctioneers, from Nathaniel F. Babb, James E. Norton, and Chauncey A. Tray. — Petitions ✓
Licenses granted.

Received petitions for licenses from,- — Petitions ✓
William F. Mills, to keep one billiard and four pool tables, at #524 Medford street;
Albert S. Gillard, to keep one pool table at #74 Broadway;
Silas D. Carter, as an innholder at Hotel Warren #397 #40 Union Square;
Peter Gentz (with five others), as a street band;
Julius E. Richardson (6th class), for sale of intoxicating liquors at #210 Broadway;
Richard J. Gills (6th class), for sale of intoxicating liquors at #401 Medford street.
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

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✓ Petitions	Received petitions, in due form, for licenses to slaughter neat cattle and calves, from:-
	New England Dressed Meat and Wool Company, at nos. 74 to 86 Medford street; estimated number to be slaughtered per week, 100 neat cattle and 1000 calves, and the days and hours for slaughtering, - each day of the week except Sunday, and each hour of the day.
	Sturtevant and Kaby Beef and Supply Company, at #50 and #52 Somerville avenue; estimated number to be slaughtered per week, 125 to 250 neat cattle, and 10 to 50 calves, - and the days and hours for slaughtering, every day except Sunday from seven A.M. to six P.M.
	Referred to Committee on Licenses.
✓ Petition	Received a petition from Mr. G. A. Roulstone, that measures be taken to afford relief from further discomfort on account of a kicking horse in the stable of H. H. Towle on Otis street.
	Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.
✓ Petition	Received a petition from Benjamin F. Freeman, for permission to build and maintain projections over sidewalks, as follows:- at the south-easterly corner of Broadway and Mt. Vernon street, four two-story bay windows and one corner bay window, all starting from second floor, two of the four
✓ and	to be on the Broadway front of the building, and the other two on the Mt. Vernon street front. Also one balcony 23 feet long on the Broadway front on the third floor, - to project over the sidewalks, cornices to balcony, two feet; four bays, two feet and corner bay (over each street) two feet, six inches.
	Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.
✓ Order of Notice	Accompanying said petition was the following order of notice:-
	Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered that seven days' notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday, the 11th day of May, 1898, at 8 o'clock P.M. at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, at which time any parties who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Somerville Citizen of the 29th inst.
	Adopted.

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Received petitions from,— Petitions ✓

Alfred A. Sibley, for a license as a drain-layer;

Isabel Sidway, for a catch-basin, on the northwesterly side of Thorpe place.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Received a petition from Thomas H. Bryne, the contractor for building the storm drain and sewer in Broadway and Cross street, for permission to blast rock in excavating for said drain and sewer. Petition ✓

Permit granted.

Received petitions from,— Petitions ✓

Luther L. Tarbell, for permission to keep a night-lunch wagon on the corner of Washington street and Union square, adjoining Whitney and Snow's store; ✓

Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to erect and maintain two poles on Bow street and to remove the two poles now standing on said street; ✓

Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to erect and maintain poles four in Union street, fourteen in Mt. Vernon street and thirty in Washington street,— and that permission be granted to the Postal Telegraph Cable Company to occupy these poles, and also said poles of said light company now standing in Washington street between the Boston line and Webster avenue; also for permission to remove the present poles of said light company in Union street and Mt. Vernon street, and in Washington street between Webster avenue and the Cambridge line; ✓

Atlantic Telegraph Company, for permission to attach one cable to each of the poles of the Somerville Electric Light Company on Beacon street, the consent of the electric light company being endorsed on said petition; ✓

Nathan J. Davis, for a brick sidewalk at #32 Bradley street, the bricks to be furnished by the owner; ✓

Charles H. Crane, for a brick sidewalk at #37 Bradley street, the bricks to be furnished by the owner; ✓

Referred to Committee on Highways.

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√ Petitions

Received petitions from:-

John and Mathilda Beaudet, for the relaying of so much as may be necessary of the sidewalk in front of the estate at the corner of Chester avenue and Cross street. Also that bricks be laid from the inner line of the sidewalk on Cross street, to the building, and on Chester avenue in front of same estate; the petitioners agreeing to pay the cost of material, or such portion of same as may be assessed to them;

Daniel Kilqueeney and others, that the city will grade and put in a crossing at Norfolk street.

Referred to Committee on Highways. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27, Reference concurred in.

√ Petition

Received a petition from James S. Sanborn and others, that the small tract of land at the junction of Main street and Broadway be purchased by the City and converted into a park or square to be known as Paul Revere square, to commemorate Paul Revere's historical ride to Lexington, as well as to open at the junction of the two streets named, a wider entrance to Main street.

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27, Reference concurred in.

√ Petition

Received a petition from Mark B. Smiley, for permission to move a wooden building, 18 feet in length, the same in breadth and the same in height from land of Edward J. Burmann on the easterly side of Clarendon avenue, through Newbury street to land of said Smiley on the easterly side of Newbury street, near Holland street; certified by the Superintendent of Streets and the Superintendent of Electric Lines, that in their opinion, the proposed removal can be made without injury to public or private property.

Placed on file.

√ Order

Alderman Lapham offered an order granting permission to Mark B. Smiley to move a building through Newbury street, as recorded on page 519 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires-Street Railways and Moving Buildings of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

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Adopted

The Committee on Licenses, on the petitions for licenses, from William Bryant, to collect junk; William A. Fish and Solomon S. Higgins, as auctioneers, Kate Dempsey, Jacob Dewood and Frank E. Lincoln, as common victuallers, William A. Fish and Arthur L. Hayden, to keep intelligence offices, Angelo Di Bello and Pasquale Di Ricco, to play a piano-organ in the streets, Karl Schaug, Carl Keller and Daniel Young, for street bands, Howard Hamblen, Milton B. Plummer, Thomas J. Fenelon and John F. Thompson, for the sale of intoxicating liquors (licenses of the 6th class), James A. Annis, to ring a bell for the sale of ice-cream, James Magee to cry his goods and Edward E. Sweeney to cry his calling as an umbrella mender and tinsmith, in the streets of the city, reported orders.

Reports ✓

Accepted.

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows:-

Orders ✓

Ordered:-

That a license as an Auctioneer, under the laws of the Commonwealth, for the term of one year from the first day of May, 1898, be issued to each of the following-named persons, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for such license, provided that no charge for such license shall be made to any soldier or sailor who served in the army or navy during the war of the rebellion, and received an honorable discharge from such service.

William A. Fish and Solomon S. Higgins

Ordered:-

That a license as a Common Victualler, under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to each of the following-named parties, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April 1899 unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
Kate Dempsey	1298 and 1300 Broadway

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Jacob Dumont,	186 Somerville avenue and
Frank B. Lincoln	on land of West End St. A.A. off
	Broadway near Arlington line

Ordered:-

That a license to keep an Intelligence Office under the laws of the Commonwealth, be issued to each of the following named parties at the place of business hereinafter specified, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for such license, which licence shall expire on the first day of May, 1899, unless sooner revoked

Name of Party	Place of Business
William H. Fish	423 Highland avenue
Arthur L. Hayden	18 Union Square

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to each of the following-named persons to perform on musical instruments in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license, when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of fifty cents for each person so licensed; such licence to expire on the first day of May 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Angelo Di Cello and Pasquale Di Cicco, of No. 10 Greenough Lane, to play a piano-organ

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to each of the following-named persons to perform on musical instruments in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license, when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of fifty cents for each person so licensed; such license to expire on the first day of May 1899, unless sooner revoked

Name, etc.

Karl Schug and four others,
Carl Kitter and five others, and
Daniel Young and five others.
(street bands)

Ordered:-

That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to issue to

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the following-named druggists and apothecaries and registered pharmacists, a licence of the public place, to sell liquors, for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes only, and to such persons only, as may certify in writing for what use they may want it, at their place of business, on the first floor, when they shall have filed with the City Treasurer a satisfactory bond, with surety, in the sum of one thousand dollars, and shall have paid the fee provided by law, said licenses to expire May 1st, 1899, unless sooner forfeited or revoked, viz:

Name	Place of Business
Howard Hamblen	179 Washington street
Milton H. Plummer	35 Union square
Thomas H. Fenton	44 Union square
John F. Thompson	599 Somerville avenue

Ordered:-

That a licence be, and hereby is, granted to William Bryant to collect, within the limits of this city, junk, old metals, rags and second hand articles, for the year beginning May 1st, 1898, said licence to be issued when the city clerk shall have received therefor, the sum of ten dollars for the use of the city, and to be revocable at the pleasure of this board.

Ordered:-

That a licence be issued to each of the following-named persons to cry goods, and ring bells in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law, and ordinance relating to such licence, such licence to expire on the first day of May 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

James A. Morris, - to ring a bell for the sale of ice-cream.
James Rogers, - to cry goods.
Edward B. Sweeney, - to pry his calling as an umbrella mender and tinsmith.

Adopted.

The Committee on Licences, on the petition of Luther L. Tickell for a licence as a peripatetic victualler on a lunch wagon at the corner of Washington street and Union square, recommended leave to withdraw.

Report ✓

Accepted.

The Committee on Licences

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on petitions for licenses as drain-layers from the several persons named in the order accompanying this report, reported an order;

on the petition of Israel P. Rice for a sewer in Linden Circle, from Linden avenue easterly about 125 feet, reported an order;

Accepted.

√ Orders

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports, with an additional order offered by Alderman Lamont, are as follows:—

Ordered.—

That a license as a drain layer, under the provisions of the ordinances of the city, be issued to each of the following-named persons, when he shall have furnished a bond, in the sum of one thousand dollars, with one or more sureties, satisfactory to this board; such license to expire on the first day of May, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Bartholomew Burke,
Christopher Burke,
Patrick Burke,
Maurice Buttimer,
Timothy F. Crimmings,
William F. Cunningham,
Jeremiah Donovan,
Richard Falvey,
Charles A. Kelley,
Nicholas Leonard,
Charles A. Morgan,
Daniel H. Perry,
John C. Terry

Adopted.

Orders for the construction of a sewer in Linden Circle and a storm water drain and sewer in Sherman Court, Marshall street, Gilman square and Medford street, as recorded respectively, on pages 638 and 640 of volume 1 of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct Sewers of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1898

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Alderman Lapham offered the following order, — Order ✓

Whereas in the opinion of this board, the public convenience and necessity require the removal of the tree hereinafter mentioned, public notice having been given and hearing thereon having been had according to law, it is therefore hereby

Ordered:- That the superintendent of streets be, and he hereby is, directed to cut down and remove the said tree, to wit:- one tree standing on Mt. Vernon street, at west side of lot No. 22, Broadway.

Read twice and adopted.

Presented to the Mayor, April 25, 1895.

Alderman Lapham offered an order for the construction of a sidewalk in Somerville street, as recorded on page 6 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Constructions - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. Order ✓

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, April 29, 1895.

The Committee on Highways, — Reports ✓

on the petition of Augusta H. Stillman for a brick sidewalk in front of the estate at 31 Lincoln avenue, reported an order.

on the petition of Charles A. Kenney for a brick sidewalk in front of his premises 266, 268 and 270 Broadway, reported an order.

Accepted.

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows, Orders ✓

Ordered:

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to construct a brick sidewalk in front of the estate of Augusta H. Stillman, No. 31 Lincoln avenue (the edgestones being already set), the bricks used to be furnished by said Stillman, and the labor to be paid for by Sidewalk account.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to construct, a brick sidewalk in front of the estate of Charles A. Kenney, Nos. 266, 268 and 270 Broadway, (said Kenney to furnish the bricks) the expense

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as incurred in constructing the sidewalk, to be charged to sidewalk account.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor April 28, 1898.

✓ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That (The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts having been given opportunity to be heard in regard to the alteration and change in the locations of certain poles of said company on Beacon street, as hereinafter referred to, said said company having waived notice, as appears by its waiver in writing, hereto annexed, of a hearing in the matter of said alteration and change) the following described alterations and changes in the locations and erection of poles of the said company shall be made and are hereby ordered, namely, referring to the plan, filed with the City Clerk, entitled "The New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. of Massachusetts, Relocation for Poles in Somerville, Mass. Boston, April 5, 1898." the poles located in Beacon street, on the southwesterly side thereof, in the vicinity of Kent and Sacramento streets, indicated on said plan by the black dots numbered (in black) respectively, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, are to be removed and the locations of six poles in said Beacon street to be erected as substitutes for said poles to be removed, shall conform to those locations as shown on said plan, on which said locations are indicated by red dots.

and

Said alterations and changes are to be made by said company without unnecessary delay and at its expense, the said new poles are to conform in material, construction and appearance to the line of poles in Beacon street of which they will form a part, and before being erected are to be approved by the Superintendent of Electric Lines and shall be erected under the supervision and direction of said superintendent;- and said poles shall be subject to, and shall be erected, used and maintained by said company subject to all the provisions, terms and conditions, under which the said removed poles or the line of poles in Beacon street, of which the said poles to be erected will form a part, were or are erected, constructed or maintained.

The removal of said old poles for said new poles shall be completed within thirty days from the date hereof.

Adopted.

✓ Waiver of Notice

The waiver of notice accompanying the foregoing order is as follows,-

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The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts
Executive Office,
135 Milk Street,
P.O. Drawer 119.
Boston, April 7th, 1895.

To the Board of Aldermen of the
City of Somerville, Mass.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts hereby serves notice of hearing in the matter of certain necessary changes in the location of its poles on Beacon street. The proposed locations to be as designated by red dots on plan, dated April 5, 1895, attached.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph
Company of Massachusetts
By
Jasper N. Keller,
General Manager.

Received from the Common Council the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of placing edgestones in front of the City's lot on Holland street, (and known as the City Lodge Lot). Also for the paving of the driveway into said lot.

(signed) John F. Foster.

In Common Council, April 27. Adopted, and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, April 27. Adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, April 25, 1895.

The Committee offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That a joint special committee consisting of two members of this board, with such number from the Common Council as may be joined, be authorized to confer with the officials of the Boston and Maine Railroad Co., in relation to the matter of placing a flagman at the Prospect street crossing, or for the construction of a bridge over, or a subway under,

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the tracks at said crossing.

Adopted and Aldermen Lamont and Tarbox appointed to the committee on the part of this board. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27, Adopted and Councilmen Gracy, Perry and Foster appointed to the committee on the part of this branch, in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1897.

√ Report

The Committee on Finance, on the petition of Gilbard C. Kinsley Post, No. 139, G. A. R. for an appropriation of four hundred dollars for the expenses of Memorial Day, reported an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27, Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Accounts be, and hereby is, instructed to approve in pay roll of Miscellaneous, a bill amounting to four hundred dollars in favor of Gilbard C. Kinsley Post, No. 139, G. A. R. for the observance of Memorial day, May 30, 1898.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1898.

√ Report

The Committee on Public Property, on that portion of His Honor, the Mayor's Inaugural Address, relating to additional school accommodations in the Fort Somerville District, reported an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27, Accepted in concurrence.

√ Orders

The order accompanying the foregoing report, with an additional order offered by Alderman Cummings, is as follows:-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and it hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making an appropriation of sixteen thousand

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dollars for an addition of four rooms to the Burns schoolhouse on Cherry street.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and it hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making an appropriation of six thousand dollars for the completion, including furniture, fittings, grading, etc., of the Martin & Carr schoolhouse.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1898.

Alderman Tarbox offered the following order:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making an appropriation from Funded Debt Account, of twenty-five thousand dollars, for Sewer Construction account, said amount to be used principally for the relief of the Somerville Avenue District.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 29, 1898.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making appropriations from Funded Debt Account, as follows:-

Highways, Paving Webster avenue, (both sides) from the Fitchburg Railroad to the Cambridge Line, the sum of $7,500.00

Highways, Paving Washington street (northerly side) from Tufts street to the Charlestown Line, the sum of 10,500.00

Total for paving $18,000.00

Highways, Steam Road Roller, the sum of 3,250.00

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27. Adopted in concurrence.

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√ Order

Alderman Huntley offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making an appropriation from Funded Debt Account, of fifteen thousand dollars, for the erection of a two story fire station, to be located on the City lot, situated at the corner of Holland and Hurley streets.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1895.

√ Order

Alderman Bell offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making an appropriation from Funded Debt Account of fifteen hundred dollars, to Electrical Department Account, for Fire Alarm Boxes, and for Police Patrol Boxes.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making an appropriation from Funded Debt Account of ten thousand dollars, for a partial cut grading of the proposed Proctor House Boulevard.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1895.

√ Order

Alderman Kehoe offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the plan prepared by the City Engineer, and laid before this board this evening, entitled "City of Somerville. Plan showing proposed Laying out of Park in Ward two" dated December 31st, 1894, be, and the same is hereby, adopted, and the said plan is to be substantially adhered to, in the laying out of said Park, unless otherwise ordered by the City Council.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 29, 1895.

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Alderman Kilmer offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered: —

That the Committee on Finance be, and it hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making an appropriation of fifteen thousand dollars for sub-grading roads and the partial laying out of Lincoln Park.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1898.

The Committee on Water, — Reports ✓

on the remonstrance of Mary J. Lamb & others, against the watering of St. James avenue, recommended leave to withdraw;

on the petition of Henry W. P. Colson, for the watering of College avenue, reported leave to withdraw;

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27, Accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Water, on petitions for the watering of certain streets, as follows, — Reports ✓

Francis A. Lewis and others, Avon street;

John Macauley and others, Bonair street, from Cross to Arthur;

William B. Hall and others, Morgan street;

Nathan H. Reed and others, Glen street from Tufts to Oliver;

J. F. Monroe and others, Monroe street, from Walnut to Bigelow;

Mrs. S. B. Crisp, New Cross street, from Broadway northerly 200 feet;

M. J. Lamb and others, St. James avenue;

George Walker and others, Wallace street;

Ella Gertrude Cummings and others, Robinson street;

reported an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27, Accepted in concurrence.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered: —

That it is hereby adjudged and determined by the city

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council that certain public ways or streets and portions of public ways or streets (all as particularly specified in the schedule hereto annexed, which is hereby referred to as, and made a part of this order, said schedule being in addition to a schedule referred to in an order of the city council passed March 9, 1898) in Somerville, shall be watered in the present municipal year at the expense, in part of the abutters thereon.

Street	From	To
Avon	School	Central
Bonair	Cross	Arthur
Cross	Broadway	northerly 200 feet
Glen	Tufts	Oliver
Morgan	Beacon	Park
Mineral	Walnut	Bigelow
Robinson	Central	Bartlett
St. James Avenue	Elm	Summer
Wallace	Holland	Broadway

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 27, 1898.

√ Order assessments for watering streets.

Alderman Huntley offered the following order, the order next preceding having first been adopted by both branches of the city council and approved by the mayor:—

Ordered:—

That whereas by an order dated April 27, 1898, and adopted by the board of mayor and aldermen April 27, 1898, and by the common council April 27, 1898, and approved by the mayor April 27, 1898, (all the above being done and completed prior to the offering and passage of this order), to which said first named order and the schedule thereto annexed reference is hereby made as a part hereof, it was adjudged and determined that certain public ways or streets and portions of public ways or streets, all as particularly specified in said schedule, should be watered in the present municipal year at the expense in part of the abutters thereon,

Now, Therefore, it is hereby Adjudged, Estimated and Determined by the board of aldermen, as follows, namely: the expense of the watering of said

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streets and portions of streets, as in said schedule specified, for the present municipal year, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, is estimated and determined to be the sum of six hundred dollars; the proportion of such expense to be borne by abutters upon such streets and portions of streets is estimated and determined to be seventy-eight per cent; the rate to be assessed upon each linear foot of frontage of estates upon such streets and portions of streets is estimated and determined to be four cents.

That the expense determined as aforesaid of such watering to be borne by the abutters shall be assessed in the manner hereinafter provided upon the estates abutting on said streets and portions of streets in proportion to the number of linear feet of each estate upon said streets and portions of streets watered.

That the amount of such assessments upon each such estate shall be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions, and according to the law in such case made and provided, by Albert B. Foles, he being the chief of the assessors of taxes, and he is hereby designated as the officer to determine the amount aforesaid, and he shall forthwith make or cause to be made a list of said streets and portions of streets, which the city has determined shall be watered as aforesaid, which list shall specify each estate abutting upon such such street or portion of a street, the number of linear feet of each such estate upon each such street or portion of a street, the amount per such linear foot of the assessment authorized as aforesaid, and the amount of such assessment on each such estate, and shall certify, and commit said list to the board of assessors of taxes of the city.

I, Albert B. Foles, do solemnly swear that I will faithfully perform the duties incumbent on me under the foregoing order so help me God.

Albert B. Foles.

Middlesex, ss. Somerville, April 29, 1898.

Sworn to, and subscribed before me.

George L. Kincaid
Justice of the Peace

Read twice and adopted.
Approved by the Mayor, April 25, 1898.

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✓ Ordered

Alderman Huntley offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Mayor be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to approve, on pay-roll of Miscellaneous accounts, such bills as he may deem just and proper, incurred for the purchase of shoes, stockings, underclothes, and outside flannel shirts for the members of Company A, Eighth Regiment M.V.M., said bills to be first approved by the Captain of said company and the total amount not to exceed the sum of one thousand dollars. In case the Mayor is unable, through physical disability, to attend to the approval of such bills, then the President of the Board of Aldermen is hereby authorized and empowered to approve the same.

Read twice, and adopted, by unanimous yea and nay vote. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27. Read twice and adopted in concurrence, by unanimous yea and nay vote.

Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1898.

✓ Order

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That His Honor, the Mayor be, and he hereby is, authorized and requested to petition the General Court for such legislation as will enable the City Council to appropriate sums of money from time to time for the relief of needy families of volunteers who shall enlist in the service of the United States during the war with Spain.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, April 27, Adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1895.

Alderman Cummings offered the following order,— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Public Property be, and it hereby is, authorized and instructed to provide a suitable flagstaff for the city hall, and to purchase a flag to be displayed thereon; the expense so incurred to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1895.

Alderman Kilma offered the following order,— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That His Honor, the Mayor be, and he is hereby, authorized and requested to execute, acknowledge and deliver in the name and in behalf of the City of Somerville, a certain release to Thomas Galvin, dated March 30, 1895, ratifying and confirming a conveyance made to said Thomas Galvin by the City of Somerville of a certain parcel of land situated on South street, Somerville, by deed dated April 29, 1892, and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, book 2116, page 441; said release being given in accordance with a vote of the Overseers of the Poor passed March 29, 1895.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1895.

Alderman Kentley offered the following order,— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the City Solicitor be authorized to bring legal proceedings at law or in equity, in the courts of this Commonwealth against the Boston and Maine Railroad to enforce the rights of this city in relation to drainage through the land of said Boston and Maine Railroad east of Mystic avenue, and such proceedings already

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begun are hereby ratified.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, April 27. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, April 28, 1898.

Adjourned.

Attest,

George S. Vincent

Clerk.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Somerville, May 11, 1895 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilvoy and Ball present.
Records approved.

In pursuance of an order dated April 10, a hearing was given for all persons desiring to object to the granting of the petition of Stephen Brennan, for permission to erect and use a 20-horse stationary steam engine with a 20-horse boiler, on the premises of St. Ann's Church, Milford street, at the corner of Thurston street, for the hoisting of building materials, coal to be used for fuel; due notice of the hearing having been published as required by said order. Hearing ✓

No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard the hearing was closed.

In pursuance of an order dated April 27, a hearing was given for all persons desiring to object to the granting of the petition of Benjamin F. Freeman, for permission to build and maintain projections over sidewalks, as follows:- at the southeasterly corner of Broadway and Ad. Vernon street, four two-story bays and one corner bay, all starting from the second floor, two of the four to be on the Broadway front, and the other two on the Ad. Vernon front; also one balcony twenty-three feet long on the Broadway front on the third floor, to project over the sidewalk,- cornices, and balcony, 2 feet, four bays 2 feet, and corner bay (over each street) 2 feet, 6 inches; due notice of the hearing having been published as required by said order. Hearing ✓

No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

In pursuance of an order approved April 31, a hearing was given for all parties interested in the petition of the West End Street Railway Company, by the Boston Elevated Railway Company, by its President William A. Gaston, for the re-location for tracks in Union Square, Washing- Hearing ✓

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Tow street, Somerville avenue, Webster avenue, and Bow street, as per plans submitted; due notice of the hearing having been given by the City Clerk as appears by his certificate recorded on page 242 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways and Moving Buildings of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Mr. J. Harvey White appeared on behalf of the railway companies named in the petition and stated that the purpose of the companies was to rearrange the tracks in Union Square so as to provide convenient connections between the tracks of the three lines which now pass through the square.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

√ Hearing. In pursuance of an order approved April 21, a hearing was given for all parties interested in the petition of the West End Street Railway Company, by the Boston Elevated Railway Company, by its president William A. Gaston, for locations for double tracks in Bow and Summer streets, from Union Square to Central street, or, if the board shall prefer, for locations for double tracks in Bow street and a single track with suitable turnouts in Summer street, from Union Square to Central street, as per plans submitted.

The railway companies mentioned were represented by Mr. J. Harvey White, who stated that the purpose of the companies was to improve the line by the laying of a double track, as stated, which it was thought would afford better accommodations by avoiding the waits at turnouts incidental to the operating of a single track. If, however, the board so preferred, the company would be satisfied with a single track in the Summer street part of the line with suitable turnouts, but in either case, it was desired to lay the tracks anew, as they were at present very rough, so as to render riding uncomfortable. Mr. White further stated that, while he was not authorized to commit the companies to such a statement, yet he was of the opinion that if the abutters objected to the extension of the line to Central street, the present terminus being in the neighborhood of 100 feet east of that point, the company would acquiesce provided the same length of side track at this point were granted that is contemplated by the plans, the present being insufficient for the number of cars which are sometimes there.

Charles P. Linda, Esq., appeared on behalf of some fifty persons

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and stated that his clients would object to a double track because, the street being narrow, the laying of a double track would practically condemn the entire width of the roadbed to the exclusive of the street railway. They would also object to the extension of the line to Central street, because the existence of two tracks at that point would render travel dangerous for carriage driving when turning from Central street easterly into Summer street. He would not object to the relaying of a single track with turnouts, and the extension, in an easterly direction, of the side track at the terminus of the line near Central street, provided the line be not extended toward Central street beyond its present terminus.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

Hearing ✓

In pursuance of an order approved April 21, a hearing was given for all persons wishing to be heard in regard to the blasting on Clarendon Hill, notice having been published as required by said order.

Mr. Benjamin A. Kern, of the firm of Collins and Kern, whose petition for permission to blast on their ledge on Heaton avenue was received April 16th, appeared, and the remonstrants, against the granting of any permission to blast, were represented by Representative Franklin F. Phillips and Hon. Selwyn G. Bowman.

The board voted that the remonstrants be first heard, and, a motion that there be form of the granting of permission to blast be afterward heard, was lost.

Mr. Phillips, for himself and a number of other residents of Clarendon Hill, remonstrated against all blasting in that neighborhood except what might be necessary to reduce the ledge on the city's land, extending from Holland street to Broadway, to a suitable grade for the improving of the locality. Clarendon Hill is a residential neighborhood, beautifully situated and with a pleasing outlook over the surrounding country. A bed of slate formation extends under the entire hill, and as the blasting which is desired to be done would be carried for purely commercial purposes, - that is, the removal of the stone for use as building material, - there is no reason why other persons as well as the petitioners should not, if the present petition be granted, be given a like privilege if they should so desire. Before the passage of the ordinance forbidding blasting without

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special permission, an owner on Dove street had carried on a quarry and for a time after the passage of the ordinance, continued so doing in violation thereof. A pit was created in the ledge which became filled with water in which offensive substances gradually accumulated, and finally a little child was drowned there, and after this sad event the owner was compelled to stop blasting. The nuisance created in that ledge was after a time abated, the street across which it extended was constructed, and the land occupied by the ledge in a measure reclaimed. A similar nuisance was being made in the immense cavern at the ledge now under consideration, and a pool of water had already been formed there. It was altogether likely that at some future time the city might be obliged to assume the task of filling this great pit, and any further blasting would add to the magnitude of the work and also deteriorate still further the value of surrounding property. It was thought that the blast exploded by Messrs. Collins and Ham some two weeks ago, was not a fair demonstration of blasting as it would ordinarily be conducted.

Mr. Bowman introduced testimony from Mr. Delevry, Mr. Craig, Mr. Seckendorff, Mr. Burmann, Mr. Tweedie, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Goodley, to the effect that recent blasting had caused a jarring of the houses, the startling of inmates, and the shaking down and cracking of plastering. Also that the existence and extension of these quarries had a deteriorating effect upon the value of property, which deterioration will be increased by the publicity of the matter, if the granting of licenses to blast were resumed.

Councilmen Kinal and Foster also appeared in remonstrance and claimed that the deepening and enlarging of the pit, by the renewal of blasting would increase the danger to life and limb already existing.

Mr. Phillips presented remonstrances from all the teachers of the Lincoln school, which is distant but about 300 feet from the Collins and Ham ledge, and from 135 parents representing 137 scholars in said school.

Mr. Bowman also presented a remonstrance from E. L. Goodley and 189 other citizens.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

Executive Session

In Executive Session

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His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding
Aldermen all present

On motion of Alderman Lapham it was voted that the report from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, of the suspension of William H. Whitcomb, driver of Hook & Ladder Company, No. 2, which report was laid on the table April 18, be taken from the table.

His Honor, the Mayor removed and discharged William H. Whitcomb from the fire department, and such removal and discharge were confirmed by the board of aldermen.

Report ✓

In Open Session

Open Session

The President, Alderman Ball, presiding
Aldermen all present

Received reports for the month of April from the Chief of Police, and Superintendent of Electric Lights.
Placed on file.

Reports ✓

Received the report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for the month of April.
Read and sent down for information.
In Common Council May 12, Read for information.

Report ✓

Received a petition from Herbert A. Lord, janitor of the First M.E. Church, for appointment as a special police without compensation.
Referred to the Mayor.

Petition ✓

Received a proclamation by His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, establishing the Hampshire Hospital for Epileptics, which institution would be open for commitments on and after the second day of May of the current year.
Placed on file.

Proclamation ✓

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√ Invitation — Received an invitation from Willard G. Kinsley Post, No 159, G.A.R. to participate in the Memorial day exercises, May 30th of the current year.

Invitation accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Voted to attend in a body.

In Common Council, May 12. Invitation accepted in concurrence.

√ Petition — Received a petition from the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment Veteran Association, for permission to erect a tent on the park near Grand Army Hall, for use on the occasion of the regimental reunion to be held some day of the last week in June of the current year.

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, May 12, Read for information.

√ Bonds — Received drain layers' bonds, each in the sum of one thousand dollars, and in form approved by the City Solicitor, from:-

Bartholomew Burke, with Charles H. Ramsdell and Edward O'Brien as sureties;
Patrick Burke, with George F. McKenna and Arthur Morley, as sureties;
Maurice Buttimer, with Richard Falvey as surety;
Jeremiah Donovan, with Julius A. Durell and George F. McKenna as sureties;
Richard Falvey, with Maurice Buttimer as surety;
Charles A. Kelley, with Allen F. Carpenter and George D. Goodrich as sureties;
Nicholas Leonard, with Dennis F. McCluskey of East Cambridge as surety;
John C. Terry, with Daniel J. Bennett and William J. McCarthy as sureties.

Accepted and approved.

√ Bond — Received a bond as a private detective in the sum of $5000.00 and in form approved by the City Solicitor, from William F. Tucker, with the American Surety Company of New York as surety.

Accepted and approved.

√ Petitions — Received petitions, - each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, - that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following named minors:-

Emory L. Chaffee, William J. Dingivan, James E. Fox, Lewis Hall,
Harry A. Hopkins, Nicholas Loven, James H. Maley, Howard G. Miller,
Alexander Morrison, Jeremiah Sullivan, and Thomas B. Walsh,

all approved by the Chief of Police.

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Licenses granted

Received petitions from the Somerville High School Athletic Association for licenses for base-ball games on the Tufts Oval, Wednesday afternoon, May 4 and Wednesday afternoon, May 11, recommended by the Chief of Police, approved by the Mayor, and licenses issued by the City Clerk. — Petitions ✓

Issuing of licenses approved

Received petitions for licenses to collect junk from, — Petitions ✓

Joseph Andleman, Albert F. Barnes, William H. Blake, Hyman Burnett,
Daniel J. Cassidy, William E. Cassidy, William Delay, Samuel Fine,
John F. Fallon, Frank Gorfine, John Lane, Israel Lipkind,
James Lyons, John J. McCarthy, Maurice McDonald, Joseph Mill, and
Abraham Sowhe;
all approved by the Chief of Police;

Referred to Committee on Licenses

Received petitions for licenses to cry their goods in the streets from — Petitions ✓

Joseph Andleman, Albert F. Barnes, Daniel J. Buckley, Edward C. Burgess,
Hyman Burnett, Cornelius J. Cadogan, John C. Cameron, Daniel J. Cassidy,
William E. Cassidy, James Cotter, William Delay, Owen E. Dugan,
John F. Fallon, Samuel Fine, Frank Gorfine, George Jester,
Harry A. Kendall, John Lane, Israel Lipkind, James Lyons,
John F. Lyons, William H. Marston, Dennis F. McCarthy, John J. McCarthy,
Timothy C. McCarthy, Maurice McDonald, Joseph Mill, John A. Nees,
William O'Gara, Thomas H. O'Neil, Bartholomew J. Reardon, Henry T. Roche,
Thomas S. Russell, Michael Splane, and George Tsingwin;
all approved by the Chief of Police;

Referred to Committee on Licenses

Received petitions for licenses to cry their calling as umbrella menders, etc. in the streets of the city from, — Petitions ✓

Vincent Sullivan and Daniel Sweeney; both approved by the Chief of Police.

Referred to Committee on Licenses

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✓ Petitions	Received petitions for licenses to ring a bell in the streets to announce their calling as scissors sharpeners, from,- Pietro Di Rocco and Raffaele Palangi, both approved by the Chief of Police; Referred to Committee on Licenses.
✓ Petitions	Received petitions for licenses as auctioneers from,- Patrick J. Gannon and Oliver H. Perry Referred to Committee on Licenses.
✓ Petition	Received a petition from Israel Coursey for a license to maintain a Merry Go Round or Flying Horses, in a vacant field on the westerly side of Mansfield street for twelve evenings, beginning on or about Thursday May 19th, recommended by the Chief of Police; License granted
✓ Petition	Received a petition from Ciro Scigliano for a license to keep one pool table for public hire, at #5 South Street Referred to Committee on Licenses.
✓ Petitions	Received petitions for licenses to keep intelligence offices from,- Ellen L. Hodgdon, at #55 Dana street; Julia A. Lerow, at #506 Medford street; Kathryn F. Reed, at #291 Broadway; Susan A. Ailes, at #518 Somerville avenue; and Thomas Woods, at #418 Somerville avenue; Referred to Committee on Licenses.
✓ Petitions	Received petitions for licenses of the sixth class for the sale of intoxicating liquors from the following-named druggists and apothecaries, each petition being accompanied by the requisite certificate from the State Board of Registration in Pharmacy:- Herbert E. Bowman, at #525 Medford street, Emory F. Chaffee, at #48 Cross street, William G. Kidder, at #111 Walnut street, Henry D. Padelford, at #255 Pearl street, S. Franklin Phipps, at #11 Bow street,

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William A. Stone, at #37 Washington street,
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received petitions for licenses to play piano-organs in the streets, from, — Petitions ✓

Valente Andrea and Giovanni Annugio,
Vincenzo and Antonio Amerino,
Giuseppe Argenti and Giovanni Castelletti,
Benedetto Barilone and Ass. Caroline Visocchi,
Vincenzo Fiatarioni and Emilio Argenzio,
Luigi Fiori and Raffaele Musetti,
Giuseppe and Agrippino Limole,
Marco Marcancelo and Antonio Farolieri,
Tubia Minichello and Angelo Colaluco,
Nicola and Tomasco Moliconi,
Nigro Pasquale and Giuseppe Saponara,
Alessandro and Giuseppe Persichini,
Alessandro Simonica and Ass. Angela Visocchi,
Aniceto Tiani and Teresa Facione,
Nicola and Carolina Cettarino.
Also a petition for a license to play a clarinet in the streets, from —
Giuseppe Mizzo.
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received petitions from, — Petitions ✓

The Highland Congregational Church, by George D. Failey, clerk, for a license to hold open air meetings or services from a Gospel Wagon, in Davis, Union, Gilman or Magoun squares, on the Sundays between June fifteenth and September fifteenth, 1898, between the hours of four and five-thirty o'clock P.M.

The Salvation Army, quartered at Winter Hill, for a license to hold religious meetings, to parade and sing, and to perform on musical instruments in the streets of the city, for the year beginning May 1st.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

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✓ Petition

Received a petition in due form, on the blank furnished by the Cattle Commissioners, from Aachel Gunsenhiser, for a license to slaughter cattle and calves, estimated quantities per week, 20 neat cattle and 15 calves, at #164 North street, on Tuesday and Friday of each week, between ten o'clock A.M. and five o'clock P.M.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

✓ Petitions

Received petitions for licenses to sell fireworks, from—

George T. Bailey, at #89 Marshall street;
Maria L. Eustis, at #374 Medford street;
Ellen L. Hodgdon, at #33 Dana street;
Thomas Woods, at #418 Somerville avenue.

Referred to Committee on Fire Department.

✓ Petitions

Received petitions from—

H. Carleton Abbott for a license to keep nine horses in a wooden stable at #34 Chestnut street;

John A. Haynes that relief be afforded from the annoyance and discomfort caused by a kicking horse in a stable owned by G. H. Towle, on Otis street.

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

✓ Petition

Received a petition from Margaret P. Thierry for permission to build and maintain projections over sidewalks as follows:— on the northwesterly corner of Beacon and Sacramento streets, the coving of a one-story building, to project over the sidewalk of each street about six inches

and

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

✓ Order of Notice

Accompanying the foregoing petition was the following order of notice:—

Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered that notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday, the 18th day of May, 1898, at 8 o'clock, P.M. at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, at which time any parties, who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Somerville Journal of the 13th inst.

Adopted.

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Received a petition from Wilbur P. Rice for a common sewer in Windsor Road, from Willow avenue, southeasterly about 400 feet. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Received a petition from Mrs. Louisa Richardson and others that she may be granted permission to stretch a flag over and across Ames street, from the house #31 to the house #34, the bottom of the flag to be at least 30 feet above the surface of the street. — Petition ✓

Permission granted.

Received a petition from the Somerville Electric Light Company for permission to remove two electric light poles on Pearl street, between Mt. Vernon street and Crescent street, as indicated by plan. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Highways.

Received petitions from — Petitions ✓

John F. Burke and others and W. A. Horton and others, that Westminster Street be graded and macadamized;

George E. Baxter and others and W. A. Horton and others that Electric avenue be graded and macadamized;

George D. Wilder, for a driveway in front of his estate #441 to #445 Somerville avenue;

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 12, Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from L. K. Niles and others for a lamp on Kensington avenue; — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 12, Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from Caine and Blaney and others, that Walnut street, between Pearl and Gilman streets, be watered during the current season. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Water and sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, May 12, Reference concurred in.

✓ Petitions

Received petitions from the three branches of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, located in Somerville, signed by their respective presidents, namely:
Carrie Jones, of the West Somerville Branch,
Amelia K. Ford, of the Somerville Branch, and
Helen A. Heald, of the Winter Hill Branch,
praying that an "Curfew Law" be enacted, providing for the ringing of bells on later than eight o'clock P.M. in winter, and nine o'clock P.M. in summer, after which hours children under seventeen years of age shall not be allowed upon the streets, unless accompanied by parent or guardian.

Referred to Committee on Ordinances, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 12, Reference concurred in.

✓ Notice

Received a notice from Edith L. Bryant, by her attorney Walter J. Parkman, of her claim for injuries to head, eye, knee, hand and clothing, sustained by slipping and falling on the sidewalk on the southwest side of Union street, at a point about 70 feet northwesterly from Broadway, at about two o'clock in the afternoon of Tuesday, April 26th, 1898, the cause of said injuries being, as alleged, the rough, uneven and defective condition of said sidewalk. (Filed with the City Clerk, May 10.)

Referred to Committee on Claims, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 12, Reference concurred in.

✓ Petition

Received a petition from James A. Connolly, for permission to move a wooden building, 34 feet in length, about 24 feet in breadth and about 27 feet in extreme height, from land of Michael H. Doherty, on the westerly side of Putnam street (#56) near Highland avenue, through Putnam street, Summer street, Church street and Somerville avenue to land of Andrew H. Spring on the northerly side of Craigie Terrace off Craigie street; certified by the superintendent of streets and electric lines that the foregoing statement as to construction and measurements is substantially correct, and that, in their opinion, the proposed removal can be made without injury to public or private property.

Placed on file.

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Alderman Lapham offered an order granting permission to James A. Connolly to move a wooden building through Putnam, Summer and Church streets and Somerville avenue, as recorded on page 540 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways and Moving Buildings, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. — Order ✓

Adopted.

Alderman Tarbox offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the license to sell newspapers granted January 19, 1898, to Douglas O. Bruce, be and the same hereby is revoked, the said licensee having surrendered his badge and license.

Adopted.

The Committee on Licenses, on petitions for licenses to collect junk from,— Benjamin Cohen, Abraham Fuhrman, Davis Lampert and Philip Weiner, and the petition of Abraham Fuhrman, for a license to keep a junk store at 221 Columbia street, reported leave to withdraw. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The Committee on Licenses, on the petition of Francesco A. Romano, for a license to ring a bell in the streets for the sale of ice-cream, reported leave to withdraw, the petitioner being a non-resident. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The Committee on Licenses, on petitions for licenses from,— — Report ✓

James Sugrue, Frank White, Reuben Winthrop and Charles Kaneburg, to collect junk;

William Bryant, to cry his goods, consisting of junk, in the streets;

William Bryant, Edward J. Murphy, Robert Shaw, Jr., Constantine Karlas, Charles Lester Gilliatt, John Sweeney, Vincenzo Valente, and Frank White, to cry their goods in the streets;

William Mefarlane, to ring a bell in the streets for the sale of ice-cream;

John F. Fay, to keep two pool tables at #281 Somerville Ave.; William F. Mills to keep one billiard and four pool tables at #524 Medford street;

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and Albert S. Willard, to keep one pool table at #84 Broadway

Silas D. Carter, as an innholder at Hotel Warren, #39 & #40 Union Square.

Peter Wentz, for himself and five others, as a street band.

James Arthur Bean, Frederick W. Gay, Adam T. McColgan, Ralph G. Perkins and Julius E. Richardson, (6th class) for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

The West Somerville Branch of the Salvation Army, to hold religious meetings, parade and sing, and to play upon musical instruments in the streets and public places of the city.

New England Dressed Meat and Wool Company and the Sturtevant and Haley Beef and Supply Company, to slaughter cattle and calves.

reported orders

Accepted

√ Orders

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows:-

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to each of the following-named persons to collect junk in this city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license, when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for each person so licensed; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

James Sugrue,
Frank White
Reuben Winthrop
Charlie Kramburg

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the following-named person to cry his goods consisting of junk, in the streets of the city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

William Breyant

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to each of the following-named persons to cry goods in the streets of the city, under the provisions of law and ordi-

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manner relating to such licenses; such licenses to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

William Bryant.
Charles Lester Gilliatt.
Edward J. Murphy.
John Sweeney.
Robert Shaw, Jr.
Vincenzo Valente.
Constantino Farlee.
Frank White.

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the following-named person to ring a bell in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such licenses; such licenses to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Williams McFarlane, - to ring bell for sale of ice-cream.

Ordered:-

That a license, under the laws of the Commonwealth, to keep, for public hire, Billiard, Pool, or Bagatelle Tables, or Bowling Alleys, as hereinafter stated, be issued to each of the following-named parties, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for each table or alley to be kept under said license; such licenses to expire on the first day of Dec., 1898, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party.	Number of Tables or Alleys.				To be Kept at.
	Billiard Tables.	Pool Tables.	Bagatelle Tables.	Bowling Alleys.	
John T. Fay		2			351 Somerville Avenue
William T. Miller	1	4			524 Medford Street.
Allen J. Allard		1			54 Broadway.

Ordered:-

That a license as an Innholder, under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to the following-named party, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor, and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

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Name of Party	Place of Business
Silas D. Carter	Hotel Garren, 39 & 40 Union Square

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the following-named persons to perform on musical instruments in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license, when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of fifty cents for each person so licensed; such license to expire on the first day of May next, unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Peter Kentz and five others, - as a street band.

Ordered:-

That the City Clerk be and he hereby is, directed to issue to each of the following named druggists and apothecaries and registered pharmacists a license of the sixth class for the sale of intoxicating liquors for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes only, and to such persons only as may certify in writing for what use they want it, at their places of business, as hereinafter stated, when they shall have filed with the City Treasurer a satisfactory bond, with surety, in the sum of one thousand dollars, and shall have paid the fee provided by law; said license to expire May 1, 1899, unless sooner forfeited or rendered void.

James Arthur Bean, - in the front room on the first floor at 260 Broadway.

Frederick H. Gay, - in the front room on the first floor at 524 Somerville Avenue.

Adam T. McColgan, - in two rooms on the first floor at 55 Elm Street.

Ralph G. Perkins - in the front room on the first floor at 106 Central Street.

Julius E. Richardson, - in the front room on the first floor at 310 Broadway.

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the branch of the Salvation Army established at West Somerville to hold religious meetings, sing and perform on musical instruments (exclusive of the drum), in that portion of the street on Davis Square between the watering trough in the centre of the square and the West Somerville station of the Boston and Maine Railroad, under the provision of law and ordinance relating to such license; the license fee provided for by the ordinances

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being hereby permitted, and such license to expire on the first day of May next, unless sooner revoked.

Ordered:—

That the following named parties be, and they hereby are, licensed to carry on the business of slaughtering cattle (including calves) within the limits of this city, for the year ending April 30, 1899, unless such license is sooner forfeited or rendered void, upon the days, times and conditions, and at the premises described in said companies' applications for such licenses.

New England Dressed Meat and Wool Company.
Sturtevant & Haley Beef & Supply Company.

Adopted.

The Committee on Special Building Permits, on the petition of Benjamin F. Freeman, for permission to build and maintain certain projections over the sidewalks on building at the southeasterly corner of Broadway and Ash Lemon street, reported an order. — Report ✓

Accepted

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to Benjamin F. Freeman to project bay windows and a balcony over sidewalks as follows:— at the southeasterly corner of Broadway and Ash Lemon street, four two-story bays and one corner bay, all starting from second floor, two of the four to be on the Broadway front of the building, and the other two on the Ash Lemon street front; also one balcony 30 feet long on the Broadway front on the third floor, cornices and balcony to project over sidewalks 2 feet, four bays 2 feet and corner bay over each street, 2 feet 6 inches.

Adopted

The Committee on Sewers,— Reports ✓

on the petition of Alfred A. Sibley, for a license as a drain layer, reported an order,—

in pursuance of an order dated November 17, 1897, reported the construction in Moreland street, from the man-hole in Mackam street,

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continuously to meet Hewitt street, by contract with Patrick Burke, about 484.7 feet of 8-inch pipe sewer, with 239.1 cubic yards of rock excavation, and three manholes, at a cost of $966.28, and submitted a list of assessments upon estates benefited.

Accepted.

✓ Order — The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,—

Ordered:—

That a license as a Drain Layer, under the provisions of the ordinances of the city, be issued to the following-named person, when he shall have furnished a bond, in the sum of one thousand dollars, with one or more sureties satisfactory to this board; such license to expire on the first day of May, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Alfred H. Sibley

Adopted.

✓ Assessments — The list of assessments accompanying the foregoing report, with a warrant and an order for the collection of such assessments, for a common sewer in Morland street, is recorded on pages 289 to 292, inclusive, of volume 2, of the Records of Sewer Assessments, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Adopted.

✓ Report — The Committee on Sewers in pursuance of an order dated April 27th, submitted the following list of proposals received to construct a storm water drain and sewer in Sherman Court, Kendall Street, Gilman Square and Rexford Street, proposals being compared on the basis of the estimate of quantities of work to be done, as made by the City Engineer, which is as follows,—

250 lin. ft. of earth excavation and refilling above grade, in trench for 4'-8" sewer.

1370 lin ft. of earth excavation and refilling above grade, in trench for 5'-6" sewer.

500 lin ft of earth excavation and refilling above grade, in trench for 4' sewer.

40 cubic yards rock excavation in trench.

2000 lin ft. of 4 inch to 10 inch underdrain.

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880 cu. yds. Portland cement concrete, mixed 6, 3 and 1.
100 cu. yds. Rosendale cement concrete, mixed 5, 2 and 1.
250 cu. yds. brick masonry, Portland cement mortar.
500 cu. yds. brick masonry, Rosendale cement mortar.

Names of Bidders	Excavation for 4'-8" sewer per lin. ft.	Excavation for 5'-6" sewer per lin. ft.	Excavation for 4'-0" sewer per lin. ft.	Arch excavation per cu. yd.
Maurice Buttimer	$ 4.50	$ 4.75	$ 5.00	$ 3.50
T. F. Crimmings	3.50	3.75	2.90	3.50
H. A. Hanscom & Co.	3.00	3.55	2.66	3.00
J. P. O'Connell	3.00	2.75	2.15	4.00
Richard Talvey	2.75	3.25	3.25	4.00
T. H. Bryne	3.20	2.45	1.65	3.50
C. E. Trumbull & Co.	3.94	4.50	2.82	3.50

Underdrain per lin. ft.	Portland cement concrete per cu. yd.	Rosendale cement concrete per cu. yd.	Portland brick masonry per cu. yd.	Rosendale brick masonry per cu. yd.	Estimated Aggregate
$ 0.30	$ 5.20	$ 4.50	$ 12.50	$ 10.50	$ 24,273.50
0.25	6.25	5.00	14.00	13.00	24,102.50
0.15	5.90	5.00	13.50	12.00	22,430.50
0.20	6.00	5.00	14.50	12.50	21,807.50
0.15	6.00	4.80	12.50	11.00	21,610.00
0.25	6.25	5.00	14.00	12.00	21,121.50
0.10	4.34	3.65	9.21	8.09	19,431.70

and presented an order.

Accepted.

The order accompanying the foregoing report and two additional orders offered by Alderman Lamont are as follows:- Orders ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Sewers be, and it hereby is authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with C. E. Trumbull & Co., for the construction of a storm water drain and sewer in Sherman Court, Marshall Street, Gilman Square and Medford Street, at the prices named in their proposal submitted in said committee's report this date.

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✓ Order for the construction of common sewer in Broadway.

Joseph street and proposed street on south side of Lincoln Park as recorded respectively on pages 642 and 644 of volume 1 of the Records of the Taking of Land, Fee and Order to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice, and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, May 13, 1898.

✓ Report — The Committee on Highways, —

on the petition of Gertrude Cummings, for permission to set a hitching post in front of her estate, 19 Robinson street, reported, on order;

on the petitions of Charles H. Crane and Nathan J. Davis, for bricks, sidewalks in front of their estates numbered, respectively, 37 and 32 Bradley street, the petitioners to furnish the bricks, reported, on order;

Accepted.

✓ Order — The order accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows, —

Ordered: —

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to Gertrude Cummings, to set a hitching post, at her expense, in front of her estate, No. 19 Robinson street. — Adopted.

Ordered: —

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to construct brick sidewalks for Charles H. Crane, No. 37 Bradley street, and Nathan J. Davis, 32 Bradley street, when they shall have furnished the bricks, the balance of the expense to be charged to Sidewalks account.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, May 13, 1898.

✓ Order — Alderman Lapham offered the following order, —

Ordered: —

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to change the location of the driveway in front of the estate of William P. Ritchie, No. 30 Preston street, at his expense.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, May 12 Read twice, and adopted in concurrence

Affirmed by the Mayor, May 10, 1895.

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Public Property be, and it hereby is, authorized to purchase awnings and window and door screens for the City Hall Annex, at a cost of not exceeding one hundred and sixty dollars; the amount so expended to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 12, Read twice and adopted in concurrence

Affirmed by the Mayor, May 10, 1895.

Alderman Darling offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment Veteran Association, to erect and occupy a tent on Central Hill Park near the hall of the Grand Army of the Republic, on the occasion of its Regimental re-union to be held on some day of the last week in June, the exact date, the location for the tent and any other necessary details to be arranged by the association with the committee on public grounds, to which committee full authority is hereby given for that purpose.

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 12 Adopted in concurrence.

Affirmed by the Mayor, May 10, 1895.

Alderman Darling offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights be, and hereby is, authorized to solicit proposals for the furnishing of fuel for the school houses and public buildings of the city, and to submit said bids to the City Council when received.

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council May 12, Adopted, in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, May 13, 1898.

✓ Report

The Committee on Fuel and Street Lights submitted the following proposal received from the Welsbach Street Lighting Company of America for the furnishing of 375 improved 60-candle power Welsbach Street Lights, fixtures and lustre lanterns, including all illuminant, mantles, and materials, including their standard ornamental iron posts, keep lanterns and fixtures in repair, furnish men, citizens of Somerville, to light, clean, extinguish and do all the labor necessary; lights to burn from dusk till dawn, every night in the year, a total 3700 hours in each year:— Where gas is used, as illuminant, as follows:—

For the term of one or two years for the sum of $30.00 per light per annum; the city to pay for the cost of setting and connecting posts to mains; the company to furnish their standard ornamental iron posts.

For the term of three years for the sum of $30.00 per annum; no additional charge for setting and connecting posts to mains.

Where self generating lamps are used the prices to be as follows:—

For the term of one year $30.50 per light per annum.

For the term of two years $30.35 per annum.

For the term of three years $30.00 per light per annum.

Where self generating lights are used the company to supply their standard ornamental iron posts, and set same free of cost to the city, and presented an order

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

✓ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,—

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights be, and it hereby is, authorized to make a contract with the Welsbach Street Lighting Company of America for the furnishing of 375 lights, more or less, of their improved 60-candle power Welsbach street light fixtures and keystone lanterns for a term of three years, at a cost not to exceed thirty dollars per light per year; said lights to burn each and every night in the year amounting in the aggregate to 3700 hours; said company to furnish all fixtures, posts, etc.,

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and to assume all offenses in the case of the same.

Read once, and action post-poned until the next meeting.

The Committee on Water — Reports ✓

on an order of March 9th, to make contracts with sundry parties for the watering of the streets for the current season of 1895 reported that contracts have been made as authorized by said order;

on an order dated January 19, authorizing the purchase of two street watering carts, at a cost not to exceed $700.00 reported that two such carts have been purchased at a cost of $700.00.

on an order dated January 19, to employ some suitable person to take the time of the men employed in street watering, and to render such other assistance as the committee may require, reported that Nathaniel B. Parker has been employed to render the service contemplated by said order;

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 13, Accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Finance, on an order dated April 22, to consider the matter of fixing the salary of the city physician, reported an order. — Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 12, Accepted in concurrence.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered: —

That the salary of the City Physician be, and the same hereby is, fixed at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum for the current calendar year; the same to be paid from Support of Poor, account.

Read twice, and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 12, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Mayor 13, 1895.

The Committee on Finance, on an order dated March 23d, to consider the advisability of an appropriation from funded debt of — Report ✓

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thirty-five thousand dollars, for the erection of an almshouse on the city's land at the corner of Broadway and Cedar street, reported inexpedient, if a suitable location can be secured elsewhere, and presented an order.

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 12, accepted in concurrence.

√ Order — The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to ascertain what lands, if any, can be secured as a location for an almshouse together with the prices for the same, and to report the results of their investigations, at the next meeting of the city council.

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 12, adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, May 13, 1898.

√ Report — The Committee on Finance, on orders dated, respectively, April 20th, April 20th and April 27th, to consider the advisability of making appropriations as follows, for:-

12 sep. rooms high schoolhouse and land on ward two	$40,000.00
the completion of the Martin & Bass school, including fittings, etc.	6,000.00
Schoolhouse, English High - alterations and improvements	1,000.00
Prescott schoolhouse (improved heating and ventilating apparatus)	6,000.00
Lincoln Park - enlarging road and partial laying out of park	15,000.00
Highways - paving Webster avenue from Fitchburg Railroad to Cambridge line	7,500.00
Highways - paving Washington street, northerly side, from Tufts street to the Charlestown line	10,500.00
Highways - Steam Road Roller	8,200.00
Sewers - Construction	25,000.00
Electrical department, - fire alarm and police patrol boxes	1,560.00
Burns school house addition (4 rooms)	16,000.00
Fire station (2 story) corner Holland and Newbury streets	15,000.00

reported recommending appropriations as follows,-

School house, Ward Two	$84,000.00

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Schoolhouse, Spring Hill District	$ 6,000.00
Schoolhouse, English High	1,000.00
Schoolhouse, Prescott (Heating and Ventilating)	6,000.00
Schoolhouse, Burns, addition	12,000.00
Lincoln Park	5,000.00
Highways - (Steam Road Roller)	3,500.00
Highways - (Paving Webster Ave. F. R. R. to Camb. Line)	7,000.00
Sidewalks	5,000.00
Electrical Department, (Fire Alarm and Police Patrol Boxes)	1,500.00
Almshouse, (Land and buildings)	20,000.00
Armory	15,000.00
Fire Department, (Fire Station Hard Tower)	15,000.00
Sewers, Construction	25,000.00
Total	$ 156,000.00

Laid on the table.

The Committee on Accounts, on an order dated April 27, for approval in pay-roll of miscellaneous of the bill for four hundred dollars in favor of Willard C. Kinsley Post, No. 109, G. A. R., for the observance of Memorial Day, reported that such bill has been so approved. — Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 12, Accepted in concurrence.

Alderman Tarbox offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered: —

That a half-holiday be granted to all employees of the City of Somerville, excepting only those whose hours of service is already provided for by ordinance, or where in the opinion of the heads of the different departments, such half holiday would endanger the public health or property, during the months of June, July and August of the present year, without loss of pay.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 12, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

In Common Council, May 18, Adoption of order reconsidered, and further action indefinitely postponed.

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Adjourned.

Attest,

George S. Vincent.

Clerk

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville, May 15, 1895 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer and Gall present.

Records approved.

In pursuance of an order passed May 11, a hearing was given for all persons desiring to object to the granting of the petition of Margaret P. Thierry, for permission to project the coving of a one-story building on the northwesterly corner of Beacon and Sacramento streets, 6 inches over the sidewalk of each street; due notice of the hearing having been published as required by said order. — Hearing ✓

No persons interested appearing and desiring to object the hearing was closed.

On the petition of Herbert B. Lord, for appointment as a special police without compensation, approved by the Chief of Police and referred at the last meeting to the Mayor, His Honor, the Mayor appointed said Herbert B. Lord a special police without compensation, subject to confirmation by the board. — Appointment ✓

Appointment confirmed.

Received a recommendation from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department that John S. Bartlett, assistant engineman of Engine No. 3, be promoted and appointed engineman of Engine No. 1, to fill a vacancy. — Recommendation ✓

Appointment, as recommended, made by the Mayor and, under a suspension of the rules, confirmed by the board of aldermen.

Received a recommendation from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, that Walter H. Young be appointed assistant engineman of Engine No. 2, for the probationary term of six months to fill a vacancy; said Young having been duly certified by the Civil Service Examiners and holding a license from the State as a fireman of a steam engine. — Recommendation ✓

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Appointment as recommended made by the Mayor and, under a suspension of the rules, confirmed by the board of aldermen.

√ Report — Received from the Common Council a report of the committee of conference which were appointed to confer upon the disagreement between the two branches as to the disposition of an ordinance establishing fire-districts, recommending that the ordinance be referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

In Common Council, May 12, Accepted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, May 18, Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order — Received from the Common Council an order authorizing the purchase of a horse wagon for Steamer Four Cones at a cost not to exceed five hundred dollars, to be charged to Fire Department Account, endorsed by the common council, - May 12, 1898. Referred to Committee on Fire Department and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, May 18, Referred to Committee on Fire Department in concurrence.

√ Order — Received from the Common Council an order for the appointment of a joint special committee to consist of three members of the common council, with such number of aldermen as may be joined, to consider the advisability of removing the fence surrounding the Broadway Park, and having that part of the sidewalk bordering upon Winthrop Avenue and Chauncey Avenue hereafter form a part of the boulevard to be constructed by the Metropolitan Park Commissioners, endorsed by the Common Council, - May 12, 1898. Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, May 18, Referred to Committee on Public Grounds in concurrence.

√ Communication tendering services for comfort of soldiers while in camp — Received a communication from the Selectmen of Framingham transmitting a copy of the following vote passed by that board May 9, 1898, -

Town of Framingham.

Office of Board of Selectmen
South Framingham, Mass.

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Voted, that on account of the possibility of a near call, by the United States Government to forward Troops now at Camp Dewey to the front, and believing that the action herein declared will meet the pleasure, approval and hearty co-operation of the citizens of this town,

We, the Selectmen of the Town of Framingham, do hereby respectfully tender to the citizens of the cities and towns having Soldiers at Camp Dewey, any assistance and service within our province to render which may be their desire, relative to the comfort of their Soldiers while in camp, and extension of courtesies on their departure.

Also that a copy of this action be sent by mail or otherwise to the proper officials of the cities and towns now or which may become interested.

Your obedient servants,

Willis M. Ranney
Harry C. Rice,
Melville D. Hamilton,
Selectmen of Framingham

Read, and sent down for information.
In Common Council, May 18, Read for information.

Received a drain-layer's bond in the sum of one thousand dollars and in the form approved by the City Solicitor, from Christopher Burke, with Patrick Shannon as surety. — Bond ✓

Accepted and approved.

Received petitions, each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors:— — Petitions ✓

Harry C. Blaisdell, Albert Corkhill, Clarence Daley, George F. Fortin, William C. Fraser, Henry B. Higgins, James A. King, Roy A. Noble, all approved by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

Received petitions for licenses for public amusements as follows: — Petitions ✓

Somerville High School Athletic Association, for base-ball games on Tufts Oval, May 14th and 17th.

Somerville Council, K. of C., minstrel entertainment in Bacon Hall, May 16th

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recommended by the Chief of Police, approved by the Mayor and licenses issued by the City Clerk.

Issuing of licenses approved.

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses for public amusements from Tufts College Athletic Association, for a base-ball game on Tufts Oval, May 19th; The Webster Associates, for a cake-walk and dance in Bacon Hall, May 27th; recommended by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses to cry their goods (junk) in the streets from Charlie Kranzberg, James Sugrue, Frank White and Reuben Winthrop, approved by the Chief of Police; all of the petitioners having been granted licenses to collect junk.

Licenses granted.

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses to collect junk, from Abraham Barron, Hans Farnstein, Robert Hull, Patrick Monaghan, Louis Perlman, Joseph Sigel; all approved by the Chief of Police.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses to cry their goods in the streets, from Abraham Barron, James F. Casey, James M. Avery Jr., Patrick McLaughlin, Patrick J. McLaughlin, Hugh Mulligan, Michael O'Connell, Marion B. Patten, Joseph Sigel, William H. Welch; approved by the Chief of Police.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses to ring a bell in the streets, from Angelo Ciarlone, scissors sharpener; Willard A. Miller, ice cream peddler, approved by the Chief of Police.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

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Received a petition from Edward Quigley, for a license to cry his calling as an umbrella mender, etc. in the streets of the city; approved by the Chief of Police. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Licenses

Received petitions for licenses from — Petitions ✓

Jacob Smith and Samuel Winkeller, to keep a junk store at #306 Columbia street;

Vincenzo Amarena, to play a hand-organ in the streets;

Domenico Niegro, to play a hand-organ in the streets;

Dominick Lagonda, to play a violin in the streets;

Also a petition from Frank H. Hosmer and others, that no more licenses be granted to street bands and that those already in force be revoked, as the bands are a nuisance.

Referred to Committee on Licenses

Received a petition from Edgar J. Howland, Druggist and Apothecary and Registered Pharmacist, for a license of the 6th class for the sale of intoxicating liquors at #370 Somerville avenue, the petition being accompanied by the requisite certificate from the State Board of Registration in Pharmacy. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Licenses

Received a petition from Mess. Collins and Ham (Michael J. Collins and Benjamin A. Ham) of 117 and 119 Boston St., Boston, for permission to erect and use two portable steam boilers on land off Edgemont street, coal to be used for fuel; one of said boilers to furnish power for a steam drill and the other to furnish power for a steam derrick, to be used in connection with the blasting and removal of rock. — Petition ✓ and

Referred to Committee on Fire Department.

Accompanying the foregoing petition was the following order of notice. — Order of Notice ✓

Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered, that fourteen days' notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday, the 8th day of June, 1898, at 8 o'clock, P.M., at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the

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above petition, at which time any practice, who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Somerville Journal.

Adopted.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from,—

Samuel D. Kamrah, that means be taken to provide adequate police protection against the malicious mischief of boys and the damage done by them to his property in the vicinity of Clark and Newton streets;

Christopher Pedersen and others, that means be taken to stop the practice of the Osborn Furniture Company of flooding Mountain avenue every Sunday forenoon, with water used in washing vehicles, at the corner of Porter street and Mountain avenue,

Referred to Committee on Police.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from,—

William P. Richards, for permission to attach a pulley and halliards for a 6 × 12 flag, to a tree in the sidewalk in front of his estate #44 Day street, the tree not to be injured and the flag to hang inside the limits of his estate;

Frederic H. Perry and C. C. Folsom, for permission to raise an American flag upon a rope drawn across Gilman street from house #33 to house #34, the lowest part of the flag to be at least 15 feet above the street;

Permission granted.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from,—

Fred B. Cochran, for permission to sell flowers and plants from a wagon to stand in Union square in front of the store #46, Saturday evenings during the months of May and June of the present season;

H. S. Trueman M.D., for relief from the inconvenience caused by a street railway terminus in front of his driveway at #145 Summer St.

Albert C. Tufts and Marshall H. Locke, that a partially dead elm tree, the first from Central street toward Laurel street, in a row of trees on the southwest side of Summer street, may be removed.

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Referred to Committee on Highways.

Received petitions from,— Petitions ✓

George H. Taylor and others, for the relaying of the sidewalk in front of stores numbered 246 to 254 inclusive, on Elm street;

John E. Goodside and others, for stone cross-walks across Highland avenue at Belmont street;

Jeremiah Sullivan, for the lowering of the edgestone to form a driveway in front of his estate #30 Prescott street, at his expense;

Jeremiah J. Mahoney and others, that the name of Joseph street be changed to Lincoln avenue;

J. Frank Miller and others, for the repairing of the road-bed of Central street, from Medford street to Hudson street, and the relaying of the brick sidewalks on both sides of Central street, from Medford street to the bridge over the Lowell Railroad.

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 15, Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from Hillard C. Kinsley Post, No. 139, G.A.R. for permission to place a white marble tablet inscribed "Post 139, G.A.R." on the rear end of the City Hall Annex. Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Public Property and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 15. Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from Fred F. Stockwell and others, for a light on Kidder avenue. Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 15, Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from the Somerville Electric Light Company that a public hearing be given by the City Council upon the report of the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, recommending the making of a contract for 375 Welsbach Street Lights, more or less, and the discontinuance Petition ✓

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of certain electric arc lamps.

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, May 18. Read for information.

√ Petition

Received a petition from C. A. Lowell and others, that Cedar street, from Broadway to the bridge over the Boston and Lowell Railroad, be watered.

Referred to Committee on Water, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 18. Reference concurred in.

√ Notice

Received a notice from Harvey Giles, by A. R. Hathaway, his attorney, that on Wednesday, April 27, 1898, about 5 o'clock P.M. while riding a bicycle on Broadway at its intersection with Cross street and nearly opposite the engine house at the corner of Broadway and Cross street, he suffered serious bodily injuries by being thrown into a trench or ditch crossing Broadway, which trench or ditch was improperly guarded or protected, and constituted a defect in said Broadway, and he looks to the City of Somerville for compensation for injuries and damage. (Received by the City Clerk, May 18.)

Referred to Committee on Claims and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 18. Reference concurred in.

√ Order

The order authorizing a contract with the Welsbach Street Lighting Company of America, for the furnishing of 375 street lights, which order was read once at the last meeting, and action on the same postponed until this meeting, was laid upon the table.

√ Report

The report presented at the last meeting, by the Committee on Finance, recommending sundry appropriations from Funded Debt account, and which was laid on the table at that meeting, was taken from the table and amended by striking out the items of $7000.00 for paving Webster annex and $5000.00 for sidewalks in the recommendations of the committee and as thus amended was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 18. Amendments non-concurred in, and the report accepted as originally presented. Sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, May 18. Adhered to former action. Sent down for information.

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The President, Alderman Bell, presiding.

The Committee on Licenses, on petitions for licenses from:— Reports. ✓

Sundry persons, to collect junk;
Sundry persons, to cry goods in the streets;
Vincent Sullivan and Daniel Sweeney, to cry their calling as umbrella menders in the streets;
Sundry persons, to play piano-organs in the streets;
Oliver H. Perry, as an auctioneer;
Mrs. Gertrude Hales, as a common victualler at #445 Somerville avenue;
Susan A. Riker, at 515 Somerville avenue; Kathryn F. Reed at 291 Broadway; Julia A. Lyons, at 506 Medford street and Thomas Goods at 418 Somerville avenue, to keep intelligence offices;
The Branch of the Salvation Army, quartered at Winter Hill, to hold religious meetings, to parade and sing, and to perform upon musical instruments in the streets of the city;
William G. Kidder, of 111 Walnut street, and Emory F. Chaffee, at 48 Cross street, for the sale of intoxicating liquors,— licenses of the 6th class;
Rachel Gunsenhiser, to carry on the business of slaughtering cattle, including calves, at #104 North street;

reported orders.

Accepted.

The orders submitted with the foregoing reports are as follows:— Orders ✓

Ordered:—

That a license be issued to each of the following named persons to collect junk in this city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such licence, when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for each person so licensed; such licence to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Albert F. Barnes, William H. Blake, Daniel J. Cassidy, William E. Cassidy,
William E. Delay, Frank Gorfine, John Lane, Israel Lipkind,
James Lyons, John J. McCarthy, Maurice McDonald.

Adopted.

Ordered:—

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That a licence be issued to each of the following-named persons to cry his goods in the streets of the city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such licence, such licence to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Edward G. Burgess, Daniel J. Buckley, Albert F. Barnes, Cornelius J. Cadogan,
John C. Cameron, William E. Cassidy, Daniel J. Cassidy, James Cotter,
William Delay, Owen E. Dugan, Frank Gorfine, George Jester,
Harry A. Kendall, James Lyons, John F. Lyons, John Lane,
Israel Lipkind, William H. Meeston, Dennis F. McCarthy, Timothy C. McCarthy,
Maurice McDonald, John R. Ness, William O'Gara, Thomas H. O'Neil,
Henry T. Roche, Thomas S. Russell, Michael Splane.

Amended by inserting, after the words "relating to such licence", the words, "the goods not to be cried before seven o'clock A. M. and;"

As thus amended adopted.

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to each of the following-named persons to cry his calling as an umbrella mender in the streets of the city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Vincent Sullivan,
Daniel Sweeney.

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to each of the following-named persons to play a piano-organ in the streets of the city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such licence, when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of fifty cents for each person so licensed; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Valente Andrea and another.
Vincenzo and Antonio Amerind.
Giuseppe Argenti and Giovanni Castellotti.
Benedetto Barilone and another.
Vincenzo Fictaroni and another.
Luigi Fiore and another.

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Giuseppe Limole and Agrippina Limole
Marco Marcandelo and another
Tubia Minichello and another
Nicola Mliconi and Tomasco Mliconi
Nigro Pasquale and Giuseppe Saponara
Alesandro Persichini and another
Alesandro Lenarova and another
Aniceto Tiani and another
Nicola Vettraino and another

Ordered:- ✓

That a license as an Auctioneer under the laws of the Commonwealth, for the term of one year from the first day of May, 1898, be issued to the following named person, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for such license, provided that no charge for such license shall be made to any soldier or sailor who served in the army or navy during the war of the rebellion, and received an honorable discharge from such service.

Oliver L. Perry.

Ordered:- ✓

That a license as a Common Victualler under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to the following-named party, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
Mrs. Gertrude Hale	445 Somerville Avenue

Ordered:- ✓

That a license to keep an Intelligence Office, under the laws of the Commonwealth, be issued to each of the following-named parties, at the place of business hereinafter specified, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for such license, which license shall expire on the first day of May, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
Julia A. Leone	506 Medford street

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Kathryn F. Reed	291 Broadway
Susan A. Rike	518 Somerville Ave.
Thomas Woods	418 Somerville Ave

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the branch of the Salvation Army established at Winter Hill to hold religious meetings, to parade and sing, and to perform on musical instruments (exclusive of the drum), in the streets of the city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such licenses, the license fee provided for by the ordinances being hereby remitted, and such license to expire on the first day of May next, unless sooner revoked.

Ordered:-

That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to issue to each of the following named druggists and apothecaries and registered pharmacists a license of the sixth class for the sale of intoxicating liquors for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes only, and to such persons only as may certify in writing for what use they want it, at their places of business, as hereinafter stated, when they shall have filed with the City Treasurer a satisfactory bond, with surety, in the sum of one thousand dollars, and shall have paid the fee provided by law; said license to expire May 1, 1899, unless sooner forfeited or rendered void.

Emory F. Chaffee, - in the front room on the first floor, at 48 Cross street, corner of Webster street.

William G. Kidder, - in the front room on the first floor at 111 Walnut street.

Ordered:-

That Rachel Gunsenhiser be, and she hereby is, licensed to carry on the business of slaughtering neat cattle, (including calves) within the limits of this city for the year ending April 30, 1899, unless such license is sooner forfeited or rendered void, upon the days, times and conditions, and at the premises described in her application for such license.

Adopted.

√ Reports

The Committee on Licenses on petitions of:-

Ellen L. Hodgdon, to keep an intelligence office at 35 Dana street,

Abraham Sowhs and Joseph Andleman, to collect junk.

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Joseph Anderson, to cry goods in streets,
Raffaele Palangi and Pietro Di Rocco, to ring a bell to announce their calling as scissors sharpeners in the streets,
Ciro Sigliano, to keep a pool table at 8 South street,
Giuseppe Mizzo, to play a clarionet in the streets,
reported leave to withdraw

Accepted.

The Committee on Special Building Permits, on the petition of Margaret P. Thierry for permission to project the coving of a one-story building at the northwesterly corner of Beacon and Sacramento streets, 6 inches over the sidewalk of each street, reported an order. — Report ✓

Accepted

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows: — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to Mrs Margaret P. Thierry, to build, and maintain projections over sidewalks as follows:- on the northwesterly corner of Beacon and Sacramento streets, the coving of a one-story wooden building, to project over the sidewalk of each street, about six inches

Adopted

The Committee on Highways, on petitions of — Reports ✓

Mrs Sophia Shevlin, for the removal of two trees on Dane street at the corner of Washington street;
Luther L. Tarbell, for permission to stand a night-lunch wagon on Washington street, at the corner of Union Square, adjoining the store of Whitney and Snow, every night in the week except Sundays;
Atlantic Telegraph Company, for permission to attach a cable to the several poles of the Somerville Electric Light Company, on Beacon street, the electric light company assenting thereto;
Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to remove two poles on Pearl street, between Mt Vernon and Crescent streets, as per plan submitted; to erect and maintain two poles and remove two now standing on Bow street as per plan; to erect and

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maintain four poles on Union street, fourteen on Mt Vernon street and thirty on Washington street, as per plan, and that permission be given to the Postal Telegraph-Cable Company to occupy three poles on Union, Mt Vernon and Washington streets, and also the poles of the electric light company in Washington street between the Boston Line and Webster avenue, and for permission to the electric light company to remove its present line of poles on Union, Mt Vernon streets, and in Washington street between Webster avenue and the Cambridge Line;

George A. Duvall and others, for gravel sidewalks with edgestones, on both sides of Grant street, from Broadway to Jaques street; Silas L. Cummings and others, for gravel sidewalks, with edgestones on the southwesterly side of Butler avenue; Sarah E. Ketch and others, for gravel sidewalks and edgestones on the northwesterly side of Butler avenue.

Reported, orders

Accepted.

✓ Order

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports, with four additional orders offered by Alderman Lapham, are as follows, –

Whereas, for the opinion of this Board, the public convenience and necessity require the removal of the trees hereinafter mentioned, to wit: –

Two balm of gilead trees standing on the northwesterly side of Dane street, and being the first two trees from Washington street,

it is hereby Ordered, that public notice be given by the City Clerk, by causing an attested copy of this order to be published in one issue of the Somerville Journal, a newspaper published in said city, and by causing a similar copy to be posted upon both the trees before mentioned, that this Board intends to remove the said trees, and that Wednesday, the 25th day of May, 1895, at 8 o'clock P.M., and the Mayor and Aldermen's room in the City Hall, are assigned as the time and place for the hearing, by this Board, of any objections which may be made thereto.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, May 19, 1895

Ordered: –

That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to issue

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to Luther L. Tarbell a permit to stand a night lunch wagon on Washington street, at the corner of Union Square, adjoining the store of Moses Whitney & Son, between the hours of seven P.M. and four A.M. (Sundays excepted) when he shall have received, for the use of the City from said Tarbell the sum of two dollars for said permit, which permit shall expire May 1st, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Ordered:-

That permission be, and the same hereby is, granted to the Atlantic Telegraph Company to attach one cable to the poles of the Somerville Electric Light Company situated on Beacon street in this city, permission for the use of which by said telegraph company has been given by said electric light company.

Adopted.

Order granting permission to the Somerville Electric Light Company to erect poles in Bow street, as recorded on page 155 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways and Horse Buildings, - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. ✓ Agreement filed June 25, 1895.

Order granting permission to the Somerville Electric Light Company to erect poles in Union street, Mt. Vernon street and Washington street, with permission for the use of said poles and certain other poles of said electric light company by the Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, as recorded on page 156 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways and Horse Buildings, - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. ✓ Agreement filed June 22, 1895. ✓ Agreement filed July 10, 1895.

Ordered:-

That permission be, and the same hereby is, granted to the Somerville Electric Light Company to remove two poles on Pearl street between Mt. Vernon street and Grant street, as shown on plan filed with the City Clerk dated May 10; said locations to be abandoned and the poles to be removed within sixty days after the passage of this order; and said locations are hereby revoked.

Adopted.

Order for the construction of sidewalks in

Albion street,

and

Summer street,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 270 and 300 of volume 3, of the Records

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of Sidewalks, - Hearings and Construction, - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice, and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, May 19, 1895.

Orders of notice of hearings on the construction of sidewalks in

Center avenue,

Grant street,

Highland street, easterly side,

Highland street, westerly side,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 7, 10, 13 and 16, of volume of the Records of Sidewalks, - Hearings and Construction, - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, May 19, 1895.

✓ Reports

The Committee on Highways -

on the petition of John and Mathilda Beaudet, for the relaying of the sidewalk on Cross street and the laying of bricks between said sidewalk and their estate situated at the corner of Cross street and Chester avenue, reported an order;

on the petition of George O. Hilds for a driveway in front of the estate nos. 441 to 445 Somerville avenue, reported an order;

on an order of April 13, for the purchase of a set of crucher jaws, reported that such purchase has been made of the New Jersey Iron Company for the sum of $103.50,

on an order of April 14, requesting said committee to supply ice for the drinking fountains in Union and Davis squares, during the summer months, reported an order;

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 15, Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Orders

The orders submitted with the foregoing reports are as follows, -

Ordered, -

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to repair the sidewalk in front of the estate of John and Mathilda Beaudet situated on Cross street at the corner of Chester avenue, and to lay

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brick in the space between the present line of paid sidewalk on Cross street and the building, and lay a brick sidewalk in front of said building on Chestnut avenue, when said Bennett shall have first made a deposit with the City Treasurer, in a sum sufficient to cover the entire cost, except for the repairing of the sidewalk on the Cross street front, which expense shall be charged to Highways account.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to construct a driveway for George O. Hilder in front of his estate, No. 441 to 445 Somerville avenue, when he shall have first made a deposit with the City Treasurer, of a sum of money sufficient to cover the estimated cost of said construction.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, instructed to furnish ice for the drinking fountains in Union and Davis squares, during the months of May, June, July, August and September, the expense so incurred to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 15. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, May 19, 1895.

The Committee on Highways, on an order dated January 17, to ascertain what action is necessary to remove the fence-obstruction crossing Kingston street, near its junction with Campbell Park, reported that the committee has been unable to make any arrangements for the removal of said fence, and therefore recommends no further action. — Report ✓

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 15. Acceptance non-concurred in, and report recommitted to Committee on Highways. Sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, May 15. Receded from former action and concurred with the Common Council in recommitting the report to the Committee on Highways.

Received from the Common Council, the report of the Committee on Highways, on the order referred to that committee for the chang- — Report ✓

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ing of the names of streets crossing Highland avenue, presenting a new order.

In Common Council, May 18. Accepted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, May 18. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:-

Ordered:-

That the streets in this city, crossing Highland avenue bearing the following names, to wit:- Walnut street- School street- Central street- Lowell street- Cedar street- Cherry street- and Willow avenue, be hereafter designated as Walnut street east, Walnut street west- Central street east, Central street west- Lowell street east, Lowell street west- Cedar street east, Cedar street west- Cherry street east, Cherry street west, and Willow avenue east and Willow avenue west.

(signed) Orice M. Gracey.

In Common Council, May 18. Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, May 18. Amended by inserting before the words "Central street East", the words, "School street, East, School street, West". As thus amended, adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 25, As amended, adopted in concurrence.

Presented to the Mayor, May 26.

√ Report

The Committee on Public Property, on an order dated May 10, to ascertain what lands, if any, can be secured as a location for an almshouse and to report with prices, reported that the land owned by the estate of Leo Russell, on Broadway & North street, containing 435,600 square feet of land, more or less, with house, sheds and barn thereon, can be purchased for almshouse purposes for the sum of $15,000.00, the city to assume the taxes for the year 1898 and the present owners to be allowed until December 1, 1895, to harvest their crops; and the committee recommended that the estate be purchased.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 18, Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

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That the Committee on Accounts be, and hereby is instructed to approve in pay-roll of Miscellaneous, bills not exceeding thirty five dollars for expenses incurred at the flag raising at the City Hall on the evening of May 15, 1895.

Read twice, and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council May 15. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, May 19, 1895.

Alderman Ball offered the following order,- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Grounds be, and hereby is, instructed to see what disposition can be made of the fence and granite enclosing the Bridgeway Park, if said fence and granite be removed, and to report to the City Council its findings at a later date.

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 15. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, May 19, 1895.

Received from the Common Council the report of the Committee on Fire Department, on an order dated May 13 for the purchase of a hose-wagon for Steamer Four Horse, at a cost not to exceed five hundred dollars, accompanying a new order. Report ✓

In Common Council, May 15. Accepted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, May 15, Accepted in concurrence.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Fire Department be, and hereby is authorized to purchase a hose-wagon for Steamer Four Horse at a cost not to exceed five hundred dollars, the expense so incurred to be charged to Fire Department account.

In Common Council, May 15, Read twice and adopted, and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, May 15, Read twice and adopted in

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concurrence — Presented to the Mayor, May 19, 1895

✓ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order, -

Whereas, the Somerville Electric Light Company has petitioned the City Council for a public hearing on the report of Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, recommending that a contract be made for Welsbach street lights in this city, it is hereby

Ordered, -

That Wednesday, May 22 inst, at 8 o'clock P.M., and the Common Council Chamber in the City Hall be appointed as the time and place for a hearing before the City Council to the Somerville Electric Light Company, and all other parties who may desire to be heard on the matter of street lighting in this city, and the City Clerk is hereby directed to give notice of said hearing by publication of a copy of this order in the Somerville Journal and Somerville Citizen of the 20th inst.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 15. Read twice, and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, May 19, 1895.

✓ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order, -

Ordered, -

That under the authority conferred by chapter 367 of the Acts of the year 1895, the several heads of the departments of the city be, and they hereby are, authorized to grant to the employees in their several departments weekly half-holidays, without loss of pay, on the Saturdays in the months of June, July and August, unless the hours of service of said employees are governed by ordinance or their service cannot be spared without undue loss to the city or detriment to the public service.

In Common Council, May 15. Read twice and adopted. Sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, May 15. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, May 19, 1895.

Adjourned.

Attest,

George S. Vincent
Clerk

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Somerville May 25, 1898 - 8 P.M.

Hon Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer and Gall present.

Records approved.

√ Hearing. In pursuance of an order approved May 19, a hearing was given for all persons desiring to object to the removal of two balm of gilead trees standing on the northeasterly side of Union street, and being the first two trees from Washington street; due notice of the hearing having been given as required by said order.

No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

√ Recommendation. Received a recommendation from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department that Harry F. Buckman be appointed a permanent member of the Fire Department and Driver of Hook and Ladder Truck No. 2, to fill a vacancy, for the probationary term of six months.

Appointment as recommended made by the Mayor and under a suspension of the rules confirmed by the Board of Aldermen.

√ Order. Received from the Common Council the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and it hereby is, authorized to purchase a flag-staff for the City Stable at a cost not exceeding twenty dollars; the expense so incurred to be charged to Highways account.

(signed) Orice A. Gracey

In Common Council, May 18. Read twice and adopted. Sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, May 25. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, May 25, 1898.

√ Report. Received the report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Depart-

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ment for the month of April

Read and sent down for information

In Common Council, May 25, Read for information

Received a notice from the Board of Metropolitan Sewage Commissioners, of a hearing before that board at its office, No. 1 Vernon street, Boston, Saturday next, May 28th, at 10 o'clock A. M. upon the question of how much Lexington shall pay this year as its fair share of the interest and sinking fund requirements, under Chapter 530, Acts of 1897. — Notice ✓

Placed in hands of City Solicitor and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, May 25, Placed in hands of City Solicitor in concurrence

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Alderman Davlin offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That a message be sent to the Common Council requesting a convention of the two branches of the City Council in the Common Council Chamber this evening, for the purpose of giving a hearing to the Somerville Electric Light Company and all other parties who may desire to be heard on the matter of street lighting in this city, an order for such hearing having been approved May 19, 1898.

Adopted, and Alderman Davlin appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council

In Common Council, May 25, Request granted, and Councilman Cushman appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen

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In Convention of the City Council — Convention

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, and Ball, President Gilson, and Councilmen Osborne, Kenney, Smith, Cushman, Grimmons, Thomson, Burns, Burrows, Gracey, Story, Crocker, Berry, Lord,

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Final and Foster present.

✓ Hearing

In pursuance of orders passed May 18, and this evening, a hearing was given to the Somerville Electric Light Company and all other parties desiring to be heard on the matter of street lighting in this city; due notice of the hearing having been given as required by said order.

The Somerville Electric Light Company was represented by Everett W. Burdett, Esquire, who made a statement in behalf of the committee, and the following-named parties also appeared and objected to the removal of arc lights and the substitution of Welsbach Gas lamps therefor, as contemplated by the proposal received from the Welsbach Street Lighting Company of America, to wit:- Fred M. Kimball,- George A. Proctor,- David Cummings, President of the Somerville Electric Light Company,- M. Davenport of Jenny Lind Avenue,- J. Warren Bailey,- John A. Conant,- Charles Faulkner,- M. Gage of Montgomery avenue,- M. Lewis of Arthur street,- John Andrews,- Howard D. Moore,- John F. Nickerson,- George Atwater,- M. Cherrington, of the southerly part of Ward Two,- and M. Nickerson of Perkins street.

M. Burdett, counsel for the light company, assumed that the actual candle power of the half-arc electric lights in use in our streets was no greater than the lowest authentic estimate, 350 to 500, and that the actual candle power of the Welsbach lights was 60 candle power, showing the cost per candle power, on this basis, of the arc lights to be 22 to 31 1/3 cents and of the Welsbach, 50 cents. The principal grounds of objection made by the citizens were that the substitution of gas for electric lighting would be a backward movement; that the arc lamps give a brilliant light, illuminating not only streets but the abutting premises, serving to prevent and aid in the detection of crime; that the Somerville Electric Light Company was a home industry and a large portion of the stock was held by our own citizens, women as well as men, and that the difference of opinion between the city council and the light company, as to the proper price to be charged for lights, having been submitted to the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners, the city should in honor abide by the decision of that board. It was also said that the light afforded by the Welsbach lamps, which had been set up for experiment in a few of our streets, was not so satisfactory as that which had been supplied by the arc lights in the same streets. The attorney for the light company said that some

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twenty-seven hundred circulars with return postal cards had been sent out to citizens, and those desiring to object to the substitution of Welsbach for arc lights requested to signify the same on the postal cards and return, and that some twelve hundred of the cards had been so signed and returned to the light company. These returned cards were left with the City Clerk, together with a list of the names of the signers. Similar protests were presented by the company from Morris P. Canfield and others, - Copithorne Brothers and others, - George E. Hallett and others, - R. D. Green and others, - Albert S. Green and another, - Fred E. Chesley and others, - Hayden Sargent and others, - Roscoe P. Hadley and others, - J. H. Smith and others, - Charles W. Morris and others, - W. E. Horton and others, - William B. Munroe and others, - L. W. Bowen and others, - S. A. Chase and others, - I. E. Rumney and others, - W. H. Whitney and others, - and J. W. Martin and others. A petition was also received from Amos L. Proctor and others, residents of Park street, that the electric arc light now located in front of No 19 Park street be continued.

Mr Fred K. Kimball presented an expert written statement, tending to show the superiority of electric lamps for street lighting over the Welsbach gas lamps. It was suggested by Mr Proctor that a saving of expense might be effected by dispensing with the street lights fair nights near the full of the moon; also whether the cutting out of so many arc lamps, reducing the revenue of the light company some $17,000.00 might not cause the company to go out of business and thus suspend all electric lighting. It was also claimed that the Welsbach lights would deteriorate very rapidly in efficiency.

Mr Garsea, agent for the Welsbach Street Lighting Company of America, appeared in support of his company's lighting system and stated that the company would guarantee to maintain the candle power of the lights to the prescribed standard, and instanced several places, namely: - Brookline, Worcester, New Haven and Cambridge, where the Welsbach lamps are in use on the streets and contracts for an increased number of the lamps have recently been made. The proposition to introduce the Welsbach system was also favored by Mr Ramsdell, - Mr John L. Nichols, - Mr James G. Hinckley, - Quincy A. Kinal, President of the Cambridge Gas Light Company, - L. B. Pillsbury, - Charles H. Bradshaw and John McCarty. It was contended that the light from the arc lamps was not well distributed. That in many places, where the light was

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very brilliant near the lamps, the streets were very dark just beyond, and that the brilliancy of the light intensified this darkness. Also that many streets in the city were without street lights, and the arc system was so expensive that without some radical change, the appropriation which the city could afford to make was not sufficient for the extension of the service into these streets. It was also held that the moderate and evenly distributed light of the Welsbach lamps was better in many localities than the light of the arc lamps, especially in streets where there were large shade trees. It would seem unfair to light some localities so brilliantly that the residents could see to read in their parlors or on their piazzas by the light of the street lamps, when streets in other localities were nearly, if not wholly, without lights. Mr. Kinal referred to the large number of gas lamps used in the streets of many of our neighboring cities and towns, the city of Boston having a great many thousand, while those in Brookline and Cambridge were very numerous.

A petition was received from J. H. Pickering of 41 Kinal avenue, for the substitution of Welsbach gas lamps for electric arc lamps in the streets of Somerville, if they be shown capable of giving proper service at reasonable cost, as the electric lighting is notoriously unsteady, unreliable, expensive and dangerous to life and property.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

Convention dissolved

The purpose for which it was assembled having been accomplished the convention was dissolved and the Mayor and Aldermen returned to their chamber.

Board of Aldermen

In Board of Aldermen.

His Hon. Mayor Perry presiding

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer and Ball present.

1. Petitions

Received petitions each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licensee to sell newspapers be granted to the

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following-named minors:-
Edward L. Grant, 2nd.- Elmer G. Hale. George E. Lapham.
Edward G. Parker, Avelon G. Russell. Fred Swanberg.
Charles H. Ward, Jr.; approved by the Chief of Police.
Licenses granted.

Received a petition from Stanislaw Stefanowicz, for a license to collect junk; approved by the Chief of Police. — Petition ✓
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received petitions for licenses to cry their goods in the streets from,- — Petitions ✓
John Caldwell, James A. Laverty, Andrew Mulcahey, Francesco A. Romano,
Stanislaw Stefanowicz; approved by the Chief of Police.
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received petitions from,- — Petitions ✓
Charles Snowden, for a license to give a dramatic entertainment and dance in Bacon Hall, Monday evening, May 23, 1898;
Tufts College Athletic Association, for a license for an exhibition base-ball game on Tufts Oval, Wednesday afternoon, May 25;
recommended by the Chief of Police, approved by the Mayor, and licenses issued by the City Clerk.
Issuing of licenses approved.

Received petitions for licenses to play piano or hand organs in the streets, from,- — Petitions ✓
Antonio Birlando and Agrippino Corso, to play a piano-organ;
Maria and Giovanni Cocozza, to play a piano-organ;
Giuseppe Strasio, to play a hand-organ;
Antonio Germani, to play a hand-organ;
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received a petition from Ellen L. Hodgdon, for a license to keep an intelligence office at 35 Dana street. — Petition ✓
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

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√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses to sell fireworks, from -
Charles W. Coy, at #50 Union square;
Flora Macdonald, at #527 Medford street;
Lillian McKenney, at #211 Washington street;
Rachel Stopp, at #89 Newton street;
M. K. Tattan, at #456 E. Somerville avenue;
Irving A. White, at #303 Medford street;
Referred to Committee on Fire Department.

√ Petition — Received a petition from Michael J. Collins and Benjamin A. Ham for permission to erect and use two portable steam boilers, each of ten horse power, on land off Edgemont street, coal to be used for fuel; one of the boilers to furnish power for a steam drill and the other to furnish power for a steam derrick, to be used in connection with the blasting and removal of rock.

and

Referred to Committee on Fire Department.

√ Order of Notice — The foregoing petition was accompanied by the following order of notice, -

Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered, that fourteen days' notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday, the 15th day of June, 1898, at 8 o'clock, P.M., at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, at which time any parties, who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Somerville Journal.

Adopted.

√ Petition — Received a petition from Cummings Conroy for a drain layer's license.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

√ Petition — Received a petition from C. A. Noble for an edgestone in front of his estate #267 Medford street.

Referred to Committee on Highways.

√ Petition — Received a petition from C. Galway, for permission to swing a

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flag across the street from No. 160 Hudson street, the bottom of the flag to be at least 20 feet above the street.

Permission granted.

Received a petition from T. J. Bishop and others, for a hearing jointly with Collins and Ham, in favor of the said Collins and Ham blasting on their property on Clarendon Hill, West Somerville. — Petition ✓

Placed on file.

Received a petition from Reuben Willis, that a suitable fence be constructed around the Jacob T. Glines School. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Public Property and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 25. Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from Frank Willey and others, for an electric light on Gilman Terrace. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 25. Reference concurred in.

Received a notice from Mrs. Ellen Agnes Duggan, of injuries received by stepping into a manhole in the subway of Sacramento street, at the foot of the steps at the Beacon street end of said subway at about twelve o'clock noon, on the 24th day of April, 1898; said manhole having been left uncovered by the servants or agents of the city, and being at the time covered with water. (Received by the City Clerk, May 24.) — Notice ✓

Referred to Committee on Claims and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 25. Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from James F. Connolly, for permission to move a wooden building 34 feet in length, 24 feet in breadth and 28 feet in extreme height, from land of Michael H. McCarthy on the westerly side of Putnam street (No. 56) near Highland avenue, through Putnam street, Summer street, Avon street, Central, Summer and Craigie — Petition ✓

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streets and Craigie Terrace, to land of the petitioner on the northeasterly side of Craigie Terrace, near Craigie street; certified by the Superintendent of Streets and the Superintendent of Electric Lines, that the statement as to construction and measurement is substantially correct, and in their opinion, the proposed removal can be made without injury to public or private property.

Placed on file

√ Order

Alderman Huntley offered an order granting permission to James A. Connolly to moor a building from Putnam street to Craigie Terrace, as recorded on page 521 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires - Street Railways and Moving Buildings - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Adopted

The President, Alderman Ball presiding.

√ Orders

Alderman Tarbox offered the following orders,-

Ordered:-

That in addition to the conditions contained in the form of license to cry one's goods or calling or to ring a bell for the sale of goods or to announce one's calling in the streets of the city, adopted by an order passed July 28, 1897, the following condition shall hereafter attach to every such license, namely:-

9 - The Licensee shall not cry his goods or calling or ring a bell in the streets before the hour of seven o'clock A.M. or after the hour of 10 o'clock P.M.

Ordered:-

That the several licenses, for the year beginning May 1st, 1898, to cry one's goods or calling or to ring a bell for the sale of goods or to announce one's calling in the streets of the city, which have been granted to the following-named persons, to wit:- William Bryant, Charles Lester Gilliatt, Edward J. Murphy, John Sweeney, Robert Shaw, Jr., Vincenzo Valente, Constantine Varlas, Frank White, Charlie Kizenburg, James Sugrue, Reuben Winthrop, William Macfarlane, James A. Annis, James Mugers, Edward C. Sweeney, Vincent Sullivan and Daniel Sweeney, be and the same hereby are revoked, and the City Clerk is hereby directed to send notice

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of such revocation to each of said persons, at his last known place of residence.

Ordered:-

That licenses to cry one's goods or calling or to ring a bell for the sale of goods or to announce one's calling in the streets of the city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license, including the additional condition imposed by an order passed this day, be issued as hereinafter stated, to the following-named persons, such licenses to expire May 1, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

William Bryant, Charles Lester Gilliatt, Edward J. Murphy, John Sweeney, Robert Shaw, Jr., Vincenzo Valente, Constantine Varlas, Frank White, Charlie Kranzburg, James Sugrue, Reuben Winthrop, and James Magee, to cry goods. William Macfarlane and James Annis, to ring a bell for the sale of ice-cream. Edward C. Sweeney, Vincent Sullivan, and Daniel Sweeney, to cry their calling as umbrella mender, etc.

Adopted.

The Committee on Licenses, on petitions for licenses from,- Reports ✓

sundry persons to collect junk;

sundry persons to cry their goods in the streets;

Edward Quigley to cry his calling as an umbrella mender and tinsmith in the streets;

Angelo Ciarlone, to ring a bell in the streets to announce his calling as a scissors grinder;

Willard A. Miller, to ring a bell in the streets for the sale of ice-cream;

Patrick J. Garvin, as an auctioneer;

Highland Congregational Church, to hold open air meetings, and services from a gospel wagon in Davis, Union, Gilman, or Magoun squares, on the Sabbaths between June 15 and September 15, between the hours of four and five thirty P. M.

Herbert E. Bowman at #525 Medford street, Henry D. Padelford, at #255 Pearl street, S. Franklin Phipps, at #11 Bow street, William A. Stone at #57 Washington street, and Richard J. Wills at #407 Medford street, for licenses of the sixth class for the sale of intoxicating liquors;

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Frederick Kosmer and others, that no more licenses be granted for street bands, and that the present licenses be revoked:

reported orders.

Accepted.

Orders. The orders accompanying the foregoing reports, are as follows:-

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to each of the following-named persons to collect junk in this city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license, when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for each person so licensed; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Abraham Barron, Hyman Burnett, John F. Fallon, Robert Hull, Joseph Hill, Patrick Monaghan.

Ordered:-

That a license be issued each of the following-named persons to cry his goods in the streets of this city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Abraham Barron, Hyman Burnett, Thomas F. Casey, John F. Fallon, Patrick Monaghan, Joseph Hill, Hugh Halligan, Patrick J. McLaughlin, Patrick McLaughlin, John McCoy Jr., John J. McCarthy, Michael O'Connell, Marion B. Patten, Bartholomew J. Reardon, George Tsingurin, William H. Welch.

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the following-named person to cry his calling as an umbrella mender and tinsmith in the streets of the city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license; such license to expire on the first day of May next, unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Edward Quigley.

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the following-named person to ring a bell to announce his calling as a scissors grinder in the streets of the city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license,

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such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Angelo Ciarlene.

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the following-named person to ring a bell for the sale of ice-cream in the streets of the city, under the provisions of law, and ordinance relating to such license; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked, provided however that the said bell shall not be rung later than 10 o'clock P.M.

Name, etc.

Willard A. Miller.

Ordered:-

That a license as an Auctioneer, under the laws of the Commonwealth, for the term of one year from the from the first day of May, 1898, be issued to the following-named person, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for such license; provided that no charge for such license shall be made to any soldier or sailor who served in the army or navy during the war of the rebellion, and received an honorable discharge from such service.

Patrick J. Garvin.

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the Highland Congregational Church of Somerville to hold either open-air meetings or services from a Gospel wagon in Magoun square, on the Sabbaths between June 15, and Sept. 15, 1898, between the hours of 4:00 and 5:30 P.M., under the provision of law and ordinance relating to such licence, the licensee fee provided for by the ordinance being hereby remitted.

Ordered:

That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to issue to each of the following-named druggists and apothecaries and registered pharmacists a license of the sixth class for the sale of intoxicating liquors, for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes only, and to such persons only as may certify in writing for what use they want it, at their places of business, as hereinafter stated, when they shall have filed with the City Treasurer a satisfactory bond, with surety, in the sum

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of one thousand dollars, and shall have paid the fee provided by law; said license to expire May 1, 1899, unless sooner forfeited or rendered void.

Herbert E. Bowman, - in the front room on the first floor at 525 Medford street.

Henry D. Padelford, - in the front room on the first floor at 255 Pearl street.

S. Franklin Phipps, - in the front room on the first floor at 11 Bow street.

William A. Stone, - in the front room on the first floor at 57 Washington street.

Richard J. Wills - in the front room on the first floor at 406 Medford street.

Ordered:-

That the licenses heretofore granted to the following-named persons to perform on musical instruments in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, be and the same are hereby revoked, and the City Clerk is hereby directed to refund to the said persons the amounts received as fees for said licenses.

Karl Schug and four others, for a street band.
Carl Miller and five others, "
Daniel Young and five others, "
Peter Wentz and five others, "

and it is hereby resolved, that in the judgment of this board it is inexpedient to grant any further licenses for street bands during the current year.

Adopted.

Reports. The Committee on Licenses, on petitions for licenses as follows, namely,-

Vincenzo Amarena, to play a hand-organ in streets,
Dominico Niegro, to play a hand-organ in streets,
Dominick Lagonda, to play a violin in the streets,
Jacob Smith and Samuel Winkeller, to keep a junk store at #236 Washington street, and
Louis Perlman, to collect junk,

reported leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

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The Committee on Special Building Permits, on the petition of H. Carleton Abbott, for a licence to keep nine horses in a wooden stable at 34 Chestnut street, reported an order. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That permission be, and hereby is granted to H. Carleton Abbott, to keep nine horses in a wooden stable situated at No. 34 Chestnut street.

Adopted.

The Committee on Sewers submitted reports favorable to the taking of land for the purposes of common sewers in — Reports ✓

Endicott avenue,
Farragut avenue,
Garrison avenue,
Victoria street,
Waterhouse street,
Woodstock street, private land and proposed street,

as recorded respectively, on pages 433-441-449-457-465 and 473 of volume 1, of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 25, Accepted in concurrence.

Accompanying the foregoing reports were orders of notice of hearings on the taking of land for the purposes of common sewers in — Orders of Notice ✓

Endicott avenue,
Farragut avenue,
Garrison avenue,
Victoria street,
Waterhouse street,
Woodstock street and private land and a proposed street,

as recorded respectively, on pages 434-442-450-458-466-474 of volume 1, of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct

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Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 25. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, May 27, 1898.

✓ Order

Alderman Dawlin offered the following order, -

Ordered: -

That Wednesday, June 8, 1898, at 8 o'clock P.M. and the Mayor and Aldermen's room in the City Hall be, and the same hereby are appointed as the time and place for a hearing before this board to Collins and Ham and all other parties who may wish to be heard in favor of granting a license to Collins and Ham to blast on their property on Clarendon Hill, West Somerville

Adopted

✓ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order, -

Whereas, in the opinion of this Board, the public convenience and necessity require the removal of the trees hereinafter mentioned, public notice having been given and hearing thereon having been had according to law, it is therefore hereby

Ordered, that the superintendent of streets be and he hereby is directed to cut down and remove the said trees, to wit, -

Two balm of gilead trees, standing on the northeasterly side of Dane street and being the first two trees from Washington street.

Read twice and adopted.

Presented to the Mayor, May 26, 1898.

✓ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order, -

Ordered: -

That the grade of the curbstone on the northeasterly side of Montrose street, at and near Sycamore street, in front of the estates owned respectively by E. Alton Bisbee, John Marshall and Hattie B. Davis, be and it hereby is changed and established to conform to a green line on plan entitled "Montrose street, For Acceptance." Made by George A. Kimball, Civil Engineer, dated October 22, 1890, with grade line in green added by Ernest W. Bailey

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City Engineer, May 25th, 1898, which plan is on file in the City Engineer's Office; and the Committee on Highways is hereby instructed to perform whatever work may be necessary to adapt to such change of grade, that portion of Ardmore street which may be affected thereby, the expense incurred to be charged to Highways account.

Read twice, and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 25. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, May 27, 1898.

Alderman Huntley offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Finance be, and hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of appropriating from Funded Debt account the sum of Twenty Thousand dollars, and the taxes for the current year, for the purchasing of land on Prospect Hill for park purposes, and to report to this board at an early date.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 25, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, May 25, 1898.

The Committee on Finance, on an order of May 25, to consider the advisability of making an appropriation from Funded Debt account of twenty thousand dollars and the taxes for the current year, for the purchase of land on Prospect Hill for park purposes, reported recommending that such appropriation be made. Report ✓

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 25. Accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Finance, on an order dated March 29th, to consider the advisability of making an appropriation from Funded Debt account of ten thousand dollars for sidewalks, reported inexpedient to take any action. Report ✓

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 25. Accepted in concurrence.

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√ Report

On motion of Alderman Huntley, it was voted that the common council be requested to return to this board the report of the Committee on Finance, recommending sundry appropriations from Funded Debt account, on which report this board on the 18th inst. adhered to its former action, the report then being sent to the common council for information.

The report being received back from the Common Council, on motion of Alderman Lamont it was voted that the vote of May 18th to adhere, be reconsidered, and the report as originally presented was then accepted in concurrence with the Common Council.

√ Order appropriations from Funded Debt account

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That for the purpose of providing for the cost of the various public improvements recommended by the committee on finance in its report under date of May 10th, 1898, the following-named sums of money be, and they hereby are, respectively appropriated to the accounts, and for the objects and purposes hereinafter specified, viz:-

Schoolhouse, Spring Hill District: for the completion and furnishing the same, the sum of	$6,000.
Schoolhouse, English High: for the purpose of providing additional school accommodations, the sum of	1,000.
Schoolhouse, Prescott, Heating and Ventilating: the sum of	6,000.
Schoolhouse, Ward Two: for the purchase of land and the construction of a schoolhouse thereon, the sum of	34,000.
Schoolhouse, Burns, Addition: the sum of	12,000.
Lincoln Park: to provide in part, for the cost of laying out the same, the sum of	5,000.
Highways, Steam Road Roller: the sum of	3,500.
Highways, Paving Webster Ave, F.A.R. to Cambridge Line: the sum of	7,000.
Sidewalks: the sum of	5,000.
Electrical Department, Fire Alarm, and Police Patrol Boxes: the sum of	1,500.
Support of Poor, Almshouse: to provide for the purchase of land and the erection of buildings thereon, the	

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sum of 20,000.
Armory: to provide for the purchase of land and the erection of an armory thereon, the sum of 15,000.
Fire Department, Fire Station, Clarendon Hill, the sum of 15,000.
Sewers, Construction: the sum of 25,000.
Amounting in the aggregate to $156,000.

And the committee on finance be, and it hereby is, authorized and instructed to provide for the above mentioned appropriations by preparing bonds to be issued and sold on funded debt account, for the said aggregate principal sum of one hundred fifty-six thousand ($156,000) dollars; the expense incurred in preparing said bonds to be charged to printing and stationery account.

Received its first reading. Amended by inserting, after the item for Sewers, Construction, the following item, viz:- Prospect Hill Park, purchase of land for, $20,000, also by changing the aggregate amount from $156,000 to $176,000. As thus amended, received, under a suspension of the rule, its second reading and final passage by unanimous yea and nay vote, two thirds of the members of the Board being present and voting. Sent down for concurrence.

(see subsequent record.)

Adjourned.

Attest.

George S. Vincent
Clerk.

Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen, called by the Mayor to consider the matter of appropriations from Funded Debt account and to transact any other business that might come before the board, - all the members having been duly notified in writing.
City Hall, Somerville, May 27, 1898 - 7 P.M.

The President, Alderman Ball presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Dawlin, Lamont, Kilmer and Ball present.
Records approved.

√ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order, -

Ordered -

That the Committee on Highways be, and it hereby is, instructed to present to the City Council, if in the judgment of said committee it shall seem expedient, the necessary papers for the laying out of Kesley street from Pearl street to Otis street, as a public street or way of the city, at a uniform width of forty feet, under the betterment law.

(signed) Charles A. Grimmons

In Common Council, May 25, Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, May 27, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, May 28, 1898.

√ Invitation

Received an invitation from J. Carpenter, M. T. Egan and S. F. Briggs, executive committee, addressed to the Mayor, Aldermen, Councilmen and Department officers of the City Government, to be present at a flag-raising on the car-house, corner of Summer and School streets, Wednesday evening, June 2nd.

Invitation accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 27. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Petition

Received a petition from Fred Green, agent for the Professor Page Buckley Horse, Dog and Pony Show, to give entertainments in a tent on the Y. M. C. A. Grounds, Washington street, May 30th, 31st, and June 1st, day and evening, with parade in the forenoon, recommended by the Chief of Police.

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License granted.

Received a protest from John H. Robertson, against the granting of a license to Messrs Collins and Ham, to blast at the ledge on Clarendon Hill and petitioning for a hearing in remonstrance. Protest ✓

Placed on file.

Received a venire for the drawing of three men to serve as traverse jurors, at the Superior Court to be holden at Cambridge on the first Monday of June next, the persons so drawn to be summoned to appear and attend said court on Monday, June 13, 1898 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. Jurors ✓

By direction of the president the City Messenger passed the box to Alderman Lapham, who drew therefrom and read aloud the names of,-

F. Howard Boyer, 13 Highland avenue, - Engineer
Fred E. Davis, 85 Pearl street, - Book-keeper
Amherst D. Frazar, 26 Walnut street, - Clerk

The slips bearing the said names so drawn were passed by the messenger to the president of the board of aldermen, who verified the names by reading them aloud from the slips, which were then passed to the city clerk, by whom the names were also read aloud, and the slips, duly endorsed, returned to the proper compartment of the jury-box.

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order,- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That Chapter 253 of the Acts of the year 1898 entitled, "An Act to Authorize the City of Somerville to Acquire and Lay Out Certain Land for a Public Park," - be, and the same hereby is accepted.

Adopted by an unanimous yea and nay vote. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 27. Adopted by an unanimous yea and nay vote in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, May 27, 1898.

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✓ Order

Received back from the Common Council, the order passed by this board May 25, making sundry appropriations from Funded Debt account, endorsed as follows:-

In Common Council, May 25 Received its first reading. Laid on the table. Chas. J. Robertson, Clerk.

In Common Council, May 27 Taken from the table, and recommitted to the Board of Aldermen. Chas. J. Robertson, Clerk.

Action by the Board was taken as follows,-

In Board of Aldermen, May 27 Vote whereby the order was adopted reconsidered, and further action indefinitely postponed.

✓ Order making appropriations from Funded Debt account.

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That for the purpose of providing for the cost of the various public improvements recommended by the Committee on Finance in its report under date of May 10th, 1898, the following named sums of money be, and they hereby are, respectively appropriated to the accounts and for the objects and purposes hereinafter specified, viz:-

Schoolhouse, Spring Hill District: for the completion and furnishing of the same, the sum of	$6,000.00
Schoolhouse, English High: for the purpose of providing additional school accommodations, the sum of	1,000.00
Schoolhouse, Repair, Heating and Ventilating, the sum of	6,000.00
Schoolhouse, Ward Four: for the purchase of land and the construction of a schoolhouse thereon, the sum of	34,000.00
Schoolhouse, Burden, Addition: the sum of	12,000.00
Lincoln Park: to provide, in part, for the cost of laying out the same, the sum of	5,000.00
Highways, Steam Road Roller: the sum of	3,500.00
Highways, Paving Hebron avenue, F.A.R. to Cambridge Line, the sum of	7,000.00
Sidewalks: the sum of	5,000.00
Electrical Department, Fire Alarm and Police Patrol Boxes: the sum of	1,500.00
Support of Poor, Almshouse: to provide for the purchase of land and the erection of buildings thereon, the sum of	20,000.00

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Fire Department, Fire Station, Clarendon Hill: the sum of 15,000.00
Sewers, Construction: the sum of 25,000.00
Prospect Hill Park: Purchase of Land for, the sum of 20,000.00
Armory: to provide for the purchase of land and the erection of an Armory thereon, the sum of 15,000.00
Amounting in the aggregate to $176,000.00

And it is further,

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and it hereby is, authorized, and instructed to provide for the above mentioned appropriations by preparing bonds to be issued and sold on Funded Debt Account, for the said aggregate principal sum of One hundred and seventy-six thousand dollars ($176,000.00).

The expense incurred in preparing said bonds to be charged to Printing and Stationery Account.

Received its first reading and, under a suspension of the rules, its second reading and final passage by unanimous yea and nay votes; two thirds of all the members of the Board being present and voting. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, May 27. Received its first reading and, under a suspension of the rules, its second reading and final passage by unanimous yea and nay votes, in concurrence; two thirds of all the members of the council being present and voting.

Approved by the Mayor, May 31st, except the following items:

Highways, Paving Webster Ave., F.R.R. to Cambridge Line, the sum of $7,000.00
Sidewalks, the sum of 5,000.00
Fire Department, Fire Station, Clarendon Hill, the sum of 15,000.00
Armory: to provide for the purchase of land and the erection of an armory thereon, the sum of 15,000.00
(see veto-message and further action on order in subsequent record.)

Alderman Lamont offered the following order,- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That at the hearing to be given by this board Wednesday

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June 5th, 1898, at 5 o'clock P.M. to those persons who may favor the petition of Collins & Ham for permission to blast rock in their ledge on Clarendon Hill, all persons who may desire to appear in remonstrance against the granting of said petition, be also heard.

Adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, June 4, 1898.

√ Communication.

Received from the Common Council the following communication from His Honor the Mayor:-

City of Somerville, Mass.
Mayor's Office.

May 27th, 1898.

To The Common Council,
Gentlemen:-

I return herewith, without my approval, an order which originated in your Honorable Board, and was adopted on the 18th day of the present month, authorizing the Committee on Fire Department to purchase a hose wagon for Steamer Four House, at a cost not to exceed five hundred dollars, the expense so incurred to be charged to Fire Department Account.

I should be very glad to approve this order if the condition of the fire department appropriation would justify the expenditure, for the price of apparatus referred to would undoubtedly add to the efficiency of the department.

Last year the sum of $55,000. was appropriated for the fire department, and the expenditures amounted to more than $58,000. It seems hardly probable that the cost of maintenance this year will be less than during the preceding twelve months, and as this year's appropriation is only $56,000., a deficit of several thousand dollars is likely to occur.

By the purchase of a new hose wagon, involving as it does the employment of a permanent fireman, the overdraft would be considerably increased.

I cannot, consistently with my sense of official duty, approve an order which is sure to create a legacy of debt for a succeeding City Council.

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Respectfully submitted,
Albion A. Perry
Mayor.

In Common Council, May 27. Read and sent up for information.

The order returned by the Mayor with the foregoing communication, which order was passed by this board May 18th, was received from the Common Council, endorsed as follows,-

In Common Council, May 27. On reconsideration, adoption, notwithstanding the objections of the Mayor, lost by a yea and nay vote: Councilmen Smith, Cushman, Grimmon and Thomson (4) voting in the affirmative, and Councilmen Osborne, Burns, Gracey, Crocker, Perry, Lord, Cisco and the President (8) voting in the negative. Sent up for information.

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for purchase of housewagon for Steamer Four House

Adjourned.

Attest,
George S. Vincent
Clerk

Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen, called by the Mayor to receive a communication from the Mayor and to act on the order relating to appropriations from Funded Debt account, all of the members having been duly notified in writing.—
City Hall, Somerville, June 3, 1898 — 8 P.M.

The President, Alderman Ball presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Dowlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved.

Communication from the Mayor returning with objections items in order making appropriations from Funded Debt account

Received the following communication from His Honor the Mayor.
City of Somerville
Mayor's Office

May 31st, 1898.

To the Board of Aldermen.
Gentlemen:—

I return herewith an order which originated in your Honorable Board, and was adopted by both branches of the City Council on the 27th day of the present month, by which certain sums of money were appropriated for the various purposes named in the order, said appropriations to be provided for by issuing and selling bonds on Funded Debt Account. I have approved some of the items contained in said order, as will appear by an inspection of the same. The following named items I disapprove:—

First:— "Highways; paving Gibbs avenue, F.R.R. to Cambridge line, the sum of $7,000."

Second:— "Sidewalks; the sum of $5,000."

Third:— "Fire Department, Fire Station, Clarendon Hill; the sum of $15,000."

Fourth:— "Armory; to provide for the purchase of land and the erection of an Armory thereon, the sum of $15,000."

There are certain general considerations which apply with greater or lesser force to all of the foregoing items, making it desirable, as I believe, wholly to eliminate the three first named, and to reduce the last to the sum of $10,000.

The condition of my health forbids that I should make an exhaustive

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statement of the grounds on which any objections are based; nor is it necessary to do so, for the members of the City Council are already familiar with my views upon the question of economy in the expenditure of public moneys. I will merely say that there has never been a time in the history of our city when it was more important to use care in the making of public debt than at the present hour. While the tax rate for the present year has not been determined, it will probably be not less than $17 on a thousand. As you well know, nearly $4 on a thousand of this rate is for debt requirements. A simple statement of this fact makes it clear that, in the interest of reasonable taxation, the volume of funded debt should not be unduly increased.

The long continued depression in business, with its attendant reduction of income, has caused a shrinkage in the market value of real estate, and this must be met by a corresponding decrease in the assessed values. This means that there will be less money to appropriate for current municipal expenditures.

Still further, it should be remembered that our country is now engaged in foreign war, and the taxation incident to such a contest will add greatly to the burdens of all our people. At such a time the utmost forbearance should be exercised in the management of the city's affairs. The money market is feverish, investors timid, and public securities in limited demand. Under such conditions city bonds should not be issued except for the most pressing and meritorious projects.

Permit me also to remind you that the appropriations authorized by the orders under consideration practically exhaust the entire borrowing capacity of the city, leaving only $3,000 to meet emergencies which may arise. If all the items stand, the City Council would be powerless, a few months hence, to respond to any extraordinary demand; such, for example, as a judgment of a court, or the repairing of a public building partially destroyed by some casualty not included in policies of insurance. I cannot think that your deliberate judgment will approve a policy in public financiering which would be condemned by sagacious business men in the conduct of private affairs.

Having thus briefly referred to a few of the general objections to any appropriative or funded debt account at this time, which is not of pressing importance, I will further state that it does not seem likely that

any interest of the city or the welfare of our citizens will greatly suffer if the order is changed in the particulars hereinbefore indicated. While we all know that Cobden avenue is not in good condition, and that it is difficult to keep the present roadbed in suitable repair, it is also true that other narrow highways, — such, for example, as Essex, Summer and Medford Streets, — including street railway tracks, are laid, stand in equal need of granite paving. It will be good economy to pave all of these streets as soon as it can be done without creating too heavy a burden of indebtedness, but this is not the year, we believe, to begin the work.

In relation to the appropriation of $5,000 for the construction of sidewalks, I will only say that it has not been the practice for many years to build sidewalks with borrowed money, and I should deeply regret to see such a precedent established at this time. Many years ago, it is true, as sidewalks did not exist, they were created, but of late years all sidewalks have been constructed with moneys obtained from the general tax levy and from special assessments upon abutting estates. There is no stronger reason for making debt for sidewalks than for the furnishing of street lights or other municipal expenditures. The comfort of our people would be promoted by the construction of many miles of brick sidewalks, and the same is true of the establishment of hundreds of street lights, of a large increase of the police and fire departments, and of many other improvements which might be named. And yet I cannot believe that it is wise to swell the volume of our public debt for these objects, especially under present monetary conditions.

I am sorry to place the slightest obstacle in the way of providing a fire station for the Charlestown Hill district. Such a station, fully equipped, is needed to furnish adequate protection to property in one of the rapidly growing sections of the city, and I have directed the attention of the City Council to this fact in two inaugural addresses. I believe that no difficulty will be found in erecting a substantial fire building next year on the Rutland street lot, and this without increasing the city debt. The work might have been done this year, and it would have met my cordial approval, but for the large sums required for securing land for the Prospect Hill Park and an almshouse site. While I do not consider the last-named projects of greater importance than the fire station, I believe they should be given precedence this year while it is possible to secure suitable lands. With the rapid growth of the city it will soon be impossible to find any large tracts of unoccupied

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land suitable for park or other municipal purposes. I feel sure that the citizens of West Somerville will cheerfully acquiesce in another year's delay in the erection of a fire station, rather than to see the entire borrowing capacity of the city exhausted.

As to the sum appropriated for an armory, I would say that the city already owns several lots of land on which such a building might be erected. Captain Herbert H. Hilton, of our local militia company, stated at a hearing before the City Council that a suitable armory could be erected for $10,000. I am convinced that the work can be done for that sum, especially if we are able to make use of an existing building for a front of the structure. I shall be pleased to approve an order appropriating $10,000. for armory purposes.

In conclusion I ask the members of your Honorable Board to recall the large number of public improvements which have been made during the last two years without any material increase of the funded debt. An adherence to the same policy is dictated by every wise and business-like consideration. By the exercise of a little patience on the part of our citizens, the City Council will, in the near future, be able to carry out every important undertaking without creating a debt so large as to burden property owners.

Respectfully submitted,

Albion A. Gray,

Mayor.

Read, and sent down for information.

In Common Council, June 3, Read for information.

On the order passed May 27th, making appropriations from Funded Debt account, those portions of the order returned by the Mayor with objections, were reconsidered and adopted by yea and nay votes, as follows: - the parts making appropriations for Highways, - paving Webster Avenue, Sidewalks and Fire Department - Fire Station, Charendon Hill (three separate votes, each with the same result), Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Farley, Quelin, Lamont and Cummings - 6 (two thirds) voting in the affirmative, and Aldermen Kilme and Ball - 2, voting in the negative; and the part making an appropriation for an Armory all of the members - 5, voting in the affirmative. Sent down for con-

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currence.

In Common Council June 3. Petitions of order returned by Mayor, with objections, reconsidered and adopted by yea and nay votes in concurrence as follows:- making appropriations for Highways - paving Webster avenue and Sidewalks (two separate votes, each with the same result) Councilmen Osborne, Grimmons, Burns, Burrows, Gracey, Crocker, Lord, Berry, Vinal, Foster and Kenney; President Pro Tem - 11, (two thirds) voting in the affirmative and Councilmen Smith and Cushman, - 2, in the negative; making an appropriation for Fire Department - Fire Station on Clarendon Hill, - Councilmen Osborne, Cushman, Grimmons, Burns, Burrows, Gracey, Crocker, Berry, Lord, Vinal, Foster, and Kenney, President Pro Tem, - 12, (two thirds) voting in the affirmative and Councilman Smith, - 1, in the negative; making an appropriation for an Armory, - Councilmen Osborne, Grimmons, Burns, Burrows, Gracey, Crocker, Berry, Lord, Foster and Kenney, President Pro Tem - 10, (two thirds) voting in the affirmative and Councilmen Smith, Cushman and Vinal, - 3, in the negative.

√ Communication Inadvisability of enlarging Burns School

Received from the School Committee the following communication, -

Whereas, the responsibility of furnishing suitable accommodations for the public schools rests upon the City Council, but

Whereas, the city ordinances make the School Committee the judge of what constitutes suitable accommodations as to their location and nature, and

Whereas, the School Committee early in February 1898, sent a communication to the City Council asking for the construction of a six-room schoolhouse in Ward IV near the corner of Willow and Frederick Avenues, and

Whereas, on the 26th of April 1898, the School Committee again addressed the City Council, urging the early construction of the aforesaid building and respectfully suggesting the inexpediency of enlarging the Burns Schoolhouse on the ground

(1). That 8-room buildings are not well adapted to the use of the schools as at present organized, and

(2). That the location to be utilized does not meet present demands, and

(3). That it entails a perpetual needless expense of several hundred dollars annually in the cost of maintenance, and

Whereas, without consultation or conference with the School Committee upon whom the responsibility of the economical and successful management

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of the schools state, and who may very properly be assumed to be informed regarding the needs and interests of the schools, the City Council have taken preliminary steps looking towards the enlargement of the Burns School, therefore

Resolved, That the Board of School Committee respectfully request a reconsideration of the whole question of increased school accommodations in Ward IV. with special reference to the advisability of the proposed enlargement, and the adoption of measures that shall better meet the present and prospective needs of the westerly portion of the city.

Referred to Committee on Public Property and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 3. Reference concurred in.

Received from the School Committee, the annual statement of repairs and improvements needed on School Property. Communication ✓

Referred to Committee on Public Property and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 3. Reference concurred in.

Received the following communication from the Board of Water Commissioners. Communication ✓

To the Honorable, the Mayor and the City Council,
of the City of Somerville.

The Water Commissioners have considered the advisability of remitting the charge for water used by the city for all purposes as requested in the order, adopted by your honorable body and transmitted to the Board on April 25th.

The Metropolitan Water Act of 1895 entitles the assessment of water rates to this department, without any distinction between public and private industry, and with no intimation that there is to be any discrimination or that water is to be furnished free to either public or private consumers. The Act referred to requires that the minimum rate to be charged for water in this city shall be submitted to the Metropolitan Water Board for approval; this has been done and no provision was made therein for furnishing to anyone free water or water at lower rates than those at present existing.

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The Water Department has always paid for water used about its own premises at the same rates that would be charged a private consumer; it has been customary for other city departments to do the same and the Commissioners think the principle a correct one.

Water charges have been assessed in this manner for years and there does not appear to us to be any good and sufficient reason for changing the established custom. A similar course has been followed by the other departments of the city, thus making it a fixed policy that each of the several city departments shall be given credit for anything which is furnished to another department.

In no other way can the results of the operations of the different departments be fairly shown. Each one of these departments has its appropriations and in its expenditures is held accountable for the same; should one department however furnish to another, materials or labor which have been charged up against it, there is really no good reason why it should not have credit for same and the department so furnished be charged with what it received. To be sure, it may be said that it is a mere matter of book keeping, and there is truth but it is absolutely necessary book keeping if the several departments are going to be kept separate and distinct so that the cost of running any given department may be known.

Inasmuch as the order adopted by your honorable body originated in the Committee on Fire Department, the Commissioners desire to make the following statements with special reference to that department.

The charges made for fire hydrants and other service are very low: they were fixed at a time when Somerville was making every effort to get the best terms possible from the City of Boston and are much lower than the charges made for such purposes in other cities.

The Water Department has always responded liberally to the calls for additional hydrants and its appropriations have been largely used for the extension of the hydrant system and for laying water mains of a larger size than would be necessary for household purposes in order to provide an abundant fire service.

The system now comprises 505 hydrants which have cost $85,000 and are a continual expense to this department for maintenance. The ordinary charge for water and maintenance of hydrants by private companies is about $40 each per annum or $20,000 for 505 hydrants; we

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the City of Boston the charge is $15 per hydrant or $12,000 for 800 hydrants; our assessment for 1898 for the 800 hydrants in this city is but $4,172 or about $5 each for water, materials and labor used in their maintenance. The charge made for all the drinking fountains in the city is but $25 per year; for flushing sewers $40, or one tenth the amount charged in smaller cities; for street watering, less than two cents per hundred gallons.

In view of the above facts, therefore, we respectfully advise that no changes be made.

Geo. D. Kemper, President,
for the Board of Water Commissioners.

Read and sent down for information.
In Common Council, June 3. Read for information.

Received petitions, each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following named persons:— Petitions ✓

John D. Campbell, Christopher Martin and Walter E. Towne, approved by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

Received a petition from the Somerville High School Athletic Association, for a license for an exhibition base-ball game on the Tufts Oval, Monday afternoon, May 30, recommended by the Chief of Police and license issued by the City Clerk. Petition ✓

Issuing of license, approved.

Received petitions for licenses from,— Petitions ✓

Mary E. Moore, as a common victualler at 510 Somerville avenue;
Giuseppe Mio, to play a clarionet in the streets;
Augustine and Isabella T. Belgarmo, to play a piano-organ in the streets.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received a petition from Francis E. Whitcomb for a license to keep 30 horses in a wooden stable to be erected on the southerly side of Washington street, nearly opposite Myrtle street, on lot No 22, on plan of Petition ✓

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land belonging to the heirs of Sarah H. Stearns, made by Hongo Lewis in the year 1847; size of stable, 38 by 65 feet, with wagon shed 60 by 70 feet.

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses as drain-layers from Dennis C. Collins and Daniel A. Dorey.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

√ Petitions — Received petitions from:-

The Somerville Hospital, for an abatement of a sidewalk assessment amounting to $74.73, assessed to the Hospital for sidewalks in Crocker street, as the Hospital is a charitable institution and stands in need of every dollar it can raise, to carry on its work;

Homer C. Holt, for brick sidewalks in front of his several estates in Cook, Taunton, Hyatt, and Hammond streets, and Concord avenue;

Referred to Committee on Highways.

√ Petitions — Received petitions from:-

Albert Tosg and others, for a brick sidewalk with edgestones on the northerly side of Concord avenue between Marion and Hyatt streets; also for a crosswalk in Concord avenue at the head of Marion street.

James A. Kiley, for two driveways crossing the sidewalk of Linwood street, in front of his carriage factory at the westerly corner of Fitchburg street.

Walter H. Gleason, for the laying out of Jasper street, 40 feet in width, from Pearl street to Gilman street;

Peter A. Gillicton and another, that the sidewalk grade on the northerly side of Monmouth street, at its intersection with Central street, may be established as shown on the plan thereof made by Charles D. Elliot, Civil Engineer and submitted with this petition;

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 3. References concurred in.

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The Committee on Sewers, on the petitions of Dennis B. Collins and David A. Doty, for licenses as drain layers, reported, an order adopted. — Report ✓

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered:

That, a license as a Drain Layer, under the provisions of the ordinances of the city, be issued to each of the following-named persons, when he shall have furnished a bond, in the sum of one thousand dollars, with one or more sureties, satisfactory to this board; each license to expire on the first day of May, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Dennis B. Collins
David A. Doty

Adopted.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:

That the order passed by this board May 15th, 1898, granting permission to the Atlantic Telegraph Company to attach a cable to the poles of the Somerville Electric Light Company on Beacon street, be and the same hereby is rescinded.

Adopted.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:

That permission be and hereby is granted to the Atlantic Telegraph Company to attach one cable, containing electric wires, to the poles of the Somerville Electric Light Company, standing on Beacon street in said city, permission for the use of poles by said telegraph company having been given by said electric light company; provided, however, that said permission shall not issue and the rights hereby granted shall not take effect until said company shall have given the city an agreement in writing, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to indemnify said city from all loss, growing out of the exercise of said rights, and to afford such further protection to the interests of the city as the city solicitor may deem desirable.

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Adopted

✓ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order,-

Ordered:-

That a joint special committee to consist of three members of the Common Council, with such number of Aldermen as may be joined, be appointed to represent the City Council, at the funeral of the late Corporal Clarence A. Stewart, of Co. M, 8th Regt. Mass. Volunteer Infantry, who died while in the service of the United States at Chickamauga, May 31, 1898.

In Common Council, June 3. Adopted and Councilmen Burrows, Cushman, and Berry appointed on the part of this branch. Sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, June 3. Adopted and Aldermen Durkin and Huntley appointed to the Committee on the part of this board in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, June 6, 1898.

✓ Order

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the bonds of the City of Somerville be issued for the aggregate principal sum of one hundred seventy-six thousand dollars, which bonds shall bear interest at the rate of four per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and shall be of the denominations, and be dated, and made payable as stated in the following schedule entitled "Statement of Bonds" and the Treasurer of the City of Somerville be, and he is hereby, authorized to sell the said bonds under the direction of the Committee on Finance; the moneys received therefor (but the purchaser or purchasers of said bonds to be in no way responsible for the application or appropriation of such moneys), to be used for the purposes, and chargeable to the accounts respectively as stated in said schedule.

Statement of Bonds, dated July 1, 1898, interest at the rate of four per cent per annum

When payable	Number of each bond	Years to run	Number coupons	Amount of each coupon	Denomination each bond	Total issue

Somerville City Loan Bonds, for the purchase of land on the southwesterly side of Mansur street known as Prospect Hill, for the purpose of a public park; for the purpose of providing in part for the cost of laying out Lincoln Park.

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so called, formerly known as Sanborn field; and to provide for various highway, fire, and police department improvements, the sum of $42,000.

July 1,

1899	2365 @ 2369	1	2	$20.00	$1000.	$5,000.
1900	2376 @ 2380	2	4	20.00	1000.	5,000.
1901	2387 @ 2390	3	6	20.00	1000.	4,000.
1902	2397 @ 2400	4	8	20.00	1000.	4,000.
1903	2407 @ 2410	5	10	20.00	1000.	4,000.
1904	2417 @ 2420	6	12	20.00	1000.	4,000.
1905	2427 @ 2430	7	14	20.00	1000.	4,000.
1906	2437 @ 2440	8	16	20.00	1000.	4,000.
1907	2447 @ 2450	9	18	20.00	1000.	4,000.
1908	2457 @ 2460	10	20	20.00	1000.	4,000.
					Total	$42,000.

Somerville City Loan Bonds, for the purchase of land, and the erection of public buildings thereon, and to provide for the cost of completing other public buildings already in course of construction, the sum of $109,000.

July 1,

1899	2370 @ 2375	1	2	$20.00	$1000.	$6,000.
1900	2381 @ 2386	2	4	20.00	1000.	6,000.
1901	2391 @ 2396	3	6	20.00	1000.	6,000.
1902	2401 @ 2406	4	8	20.00	1000.	6,000.
1903	2411 @ 2416	5	10	20.00	1000.	6,000.
1904	2421 @ 2426	6	12	20.00	1000.	6,000.
1905	2431 @ 2436	7	14	20.00	1000.	6,000.
1906	2441 @ 2446	8	16	20.00	1000.	6,000.
1907	2451 @ 2456	9	18	20.00	1000.	6,000.
1908	2461 @ 2465	10	20	20.00	1000.	5,000.
1909	2466 @ 2470	11	22	20.00	1000.	5,000.
1910	2471 @ 2475	12	24	20.00	1000.	5,000.
1911	2476 @ 2480	13	26	20.00	1000.	5,000.
1912	2481 @ 2485	14	28	20.00	1000.	5,000.
1913	2486 @ 2490	15	30	20.00	1000.	5,000.
1914	2491 @ 2495	16	32	20.00	1000.	5,000.
1915	2496 @ 2500	17	34	20.00	1000.	5,000.
1916	2501 @ 2505	18	36	20.00	1000.	5,000.
1917	2506 @ 2510	19	38	20.00	1000.	5,000.

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1918	2511 @ 2515	30	40	30.00	1000	5,000
					Total	$109,000

Sprucevale Sewer Loan Bonds, to provide for the cost of constructing main drains and pressure pipes, the sum of $25,000.

July 1

1949	199	1	2	$20.00	$1000	$1,000
1950	200	2	4	20.00	1000	1,000
1951	201	3	6	20.00	1000	1,000
1952	202	4	8	20.00	1000	1,000
1953	203	5	10	20.00	1000	1,000
1954	204	6	12	20.00	1000	1,000
1955	205	7	14	20.00	1000	1,000
1956	206	8	16	20.00	1000	1,000
1957	207	9	18	20.00	1000	1,000
1958	208	10	20	20.00	1000	1,000
1959	209	11	22	20.00	1000	1,000
1960	210	12	24	20.00	1000	1,000
1961	211	13	26	20.00	1000	1,000
1962	212	14	28	20.00	1000	1,000
1963	213	15	30	20.00	1000	1,000
1964	214	16	32	20.00	1000	1,000
1965	215	17	34	20.00	1000	1,000
1966	216	18	36	20.00	1000	1,000
1967	217	19	38	20.00	1000	1,000
1968	218	20	40	20.00	1000	1,000
1969	219	21	42	20.00	1000	1,000
1970	220	22	44	20.00	1000	1,000
1971	221	23	46	20.00	1000	1,000
1972	222	24	48	20.00	1000	1,000
1973	223	25	50	20.00	1000	1,000
					Total	$25,000

Making in the aggregate the sum of $176,000.

Received its first reading, and, under a suspension of the rules, its second reading and final passage by unanimous yea and nay vote; two thirds of all the members of the Board being present and voting. Sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, June 8. Received its first reading and, under a suspension of the rules, its second reading and final passage by unanimous yea and nay vote, in concurrence; two thirds of all the members elected being present and voting.

Approved by the Mayor, June 6, 1895.

Adjourned.

Attest.

George S. Vincent

Clerk.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Somerville, June 8, 1898, - 8 P.M.

The President, Alderman Ball, presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Dawlin, Lamont, Holmes, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved.

√ Hearing.

In pursuance of orders passed May 25th and 27th a hearing was given for all parties desiring to be heard either in favor of or against the granting of a license to Messrs Collins and Ham, to blast rock in their ledge off Edgemont street and bordering on Weston avenue, on Cherry Hill.

Mr Benjamin A. Ham, of the firm of Collins and Ham, appeared with Honorable Michael T. Farrell as his attorney, and introduced testimony also from Mr F. H. Pater of Galthurst, who for the past five or six years has been a salesman of dynamite and gunpowder, - Peter F. Fallon of Quincy, engaged for the past twenty years in the business of quarrying, teaming and contracting, - Mr John H. Thayer of North Cambridge, for the past twenty five years a foreman in stone quarries and employed for several years in that capacity in the quarries of the City of Cambridge and of E. S. Sparrow and others, adjoining the quarry of Messrs Collins and Ham, - and Mr William Maloney of Tannery street, North Cambridge, a foreman of offal collection for the City of Cambridge.

Mr Ham stated that the work upon the stone thrown off from the ledge by the experimental blast made some three or four weeks ago would last about two weeks longer and that his firm simply desired the privilege of blasting once a week between the hours of four and five o'clock P.M. The testimony of himself and his other witnesses was to the effect that blasting with coarse grained black powder, which he would use, and in the manner in which he proposed to conduct the blasting, could be done without any great noise or any damage to property, as but few small fragments of rock would be made and none would be thrown more than 50 feet from the place of the blast. If the blasting were done once a week he would put in some seven or eight holes for a charge.

Mr Maloney said he lived on Tannery street, North Cambridge, very near the Cambridge ledge and also owned land on Farragut avenue,

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Somerville, some three or four hundred feet from the ledge, and did not consider that the blasting was detrimental to his property. Mr. Ham read a letter prepared by his book-keeper and signed by Mrs. Alice M. Durnan, who lived on Clarendon Hill in the house nearest the ledge, to the effect that she was not disturbed by the blasting and had no objection to its continuance.

Mr. James Wilson, Leonard M. Libbey, Edward W. Goodley and C. C. Hoffman and Councilmen Sinal and Foster appeared in remonstrance. Their testimony was to the effect that property had been injured by the blasting in the stone quarries at the ledge in question, and the continuance of the blasting would be detrimental to property and a source of discomfort and danger to the people of the neighborhood, and that the citizens generally, who lived near by, were decidedly opposed to it.

A remonstrance against the granting of the petition was received from P. A. Osgood, who stated that the blasting with high explosives would imperil life and property, and that for the last number of years he had been put to great cost and expense for repairs on houses on account of flying rock from this quarry and blasting and had had great difficulty in renting property in that locality for this reason.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

Received from the Common Council an order authorizing and instructing the Committee on Highways to construct a granite crossing across Holland street in line with the sidewalk on the easterly side of Irving street, the expense to be charged to Highways account. — Order ✓

In Common Council, June 6. Referred to Committee on Highways, and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, June 8. Reference concurred in.

Received the report of the Chief of Police for the month of May. Placed on file. — Report ✓

Received drain-layers' bonds in the form which has been approved by the City Solicitor, and each in the sum of $1000.00 from Timothy F. Crimmings, with Simon Conner and James F. McCarthy as sureties. — Drain Layers' Bond ✓

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William F. Cunningham, with William H. Cuckett, of Cambridge, and Mary B. Durant, of Somerville, as sureties.
Accepted and approved.

√ Jury Exemption Roll — Received the annual jury exemption roll from Co. C. First Corps of Cadets.
Placed on file.

√ Petitions — Received petitions, each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors:—
Wesley Carll, Burton L. Hill, James Prentice, T. Arthur Robinson and John H. Haddell, all approved by the Chief of Police.
Licenses granted.

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses to collect junk from—
Wladyslaw Kaugnucki, Henry T. Roche, Isaac Spector,
approved by the Chief of Police.
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses to collect junk and to cry their calling as junk collectors in the streets from,—
William Pelman, Israel Rosenbaum, Samuel Rosenberg, Max Rosenfelt, and Abraham Sorke,
approved by the Chief of Police.
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses to cry their goods on the streets from,—
Floris F. Cuerran, Michael J. Darcy, Frank Garfine, Christos Ginias, Charles Howe, James A. Lenarty, George Melaney, Wladyslaw Kaugnucki, George F. Powers, Henry Ray and Isaac Spector,
all approved by the Chief of Police.
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

√ Petition — Received a petition for a license to ring a bell in the streets for the sale of ice-cream from George L. Phillips,

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approved by the Chief of Police.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received petitions for licenses to sell fireworks, during the current season, from—

Petitions ✓

James Arthur Bean, at 360 Broadway.
Henrietta M. Bliss, at 27 C Summer street.
Henrietta M. Bliss, at 260 Summer street.
James Cole, at 45 Kent street.
Antonio Correira, at 454 Medford street.
Nellie G. Cotter, at 280 Lowell street.
Frederic A. Cutter, at 326 Broadway.
Ida M. Daley, at 11 Cross street.
Roderick D. Field, at 90 Elm street.
Rebecca F. Francis, at 218 Holland street.
George G. Grover, at 146 Broadway.
Addie S. Jarvis, at 138 A Pearl street.
Ida B. Lathrop, at 166 School street.
Leonard M. Libby, at 241-243 Holland street.
Jennie Lotow, at 635 Somerville avenue.
Louis Lotow, at 280 Beacon street.
Delia Mac Intosh, at 375 Beacon street.
Gillard A. Miller, at 10 Medina Bldg., Davis Sq.
Ada K. Moulton, at 404 Medford street.
Alexander Munro, at 46 Newton street.
Josie O'Neil, at 540 Somerville avenue.
William C. Piper, at 246 Elm street.
Noah O. Robinson, at 123 A Washington street.
Sarah E. Robinson, at 308 Highland avenue.
Timothy B. Rooney, at 95 Washington street.
Sharp and Co., at 469 Somerville avenue.
Bessie G. Stackpole, at 18 Broadway.
Emily and Hannah N. Stuart, at 38 Cross street.
Lewis R. Stuart, at 312 Broadway street.
Walter E. Vickery, at 21 A Vernon street.
Williamson and Fog, at 71 Concord avenue.

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Granted to sell from June 14th to July 4th inclusive, Sundays excepted.

√ Petition — Received a petition from Samuel White for a license as a common victualler at #83 Linwood street.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

√ Petition — Received a petition from Francis Tufts and Andrew M. Kidder, for a sewer in Liberty avenue from Francesca avenue to the entrance of the Nathan Tufts Park.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

√ Petition — Received a petition from Carrie B. Follett, for permission to project the coving of a one-story block of five stores to be numbered 519 to 523 Medford street, twelve inches over the sidewalk.

and — Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

Accompanying the foregoing petition was the following order of notice:-

√ Order of Notice — Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered that seven days' notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday, the 15th day of June, 1895, at 8 o'clock, P.M., at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, at which time any parties, who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Somerville Citizen of the 10th inst.

Adopted.

√ Petition — Received a petition from S. C. Putney, for the Somerville Section of the Socialist Labor Party, for permission to hold a meeting at Central Hall, July 4th, between the hours of four and six P.M. for the delivery of patriotic addresses.

Laid on the table.

√ Petition — Received a petition from the Boston and Maine Railroad for permission to attach a telephone wire to the electric light poles from the Asylum grounds across Washington street and up Florence street to #39,

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for railroad purposes.

Referred to Committee on Highways.

Received a petition from James Cuthbertson and others for crossings in Bonair street at intersecting streets; Bonair street, which is 1470 feet long, being without a single crossing in its entire length. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 9. Reference concurred in.

Received petitions from,- — Petitions ✓

John C. H. Snow and others, for a street light in Pearl Terrace or in Pearl street opposite Pearl Terrace;

F. E. Hanson and others, for a street light on Porter street at the corner of Francis street;

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 9. References concurred in.

Received, a communication from the Somerville Electric Light Company transmitting 77 postal cards received by the company since the hearing of May 25th, protesting against the substitution of Welsbach Gas Lamps for electric arc lamps in the streets of the city. — Communication ✓

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, June 9. Read for information.

Received, a petition from James L. Lee and others, that Campbell Park be watered during the current season. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Water, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 9. Reference concurred in.

The Committee on Licenses, on petitions for licenses from,- — Reports ✓

Joseph Sigel, Stanislaw Stefanowicz, Hans Farestein, to collect junk;

John F. Caldwell, Hans Farestein, James A. Laverty, Andrew Mckahey, Joseph Sigel and Stanislaw Stefanowicz, to cry goods in streets.

Francesco A. Romano, to ring a bell in the streets for the sale of ice-cream.

Ellen L. Hodgdon, to keep an intelligence office at 35 Dana street.

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Giuseppe Mizzo to play a clarionet in the streets.
Edgar J. Lowland to sell intoxicating liquors at 370 Somerville avenue (license of the 6th class).

reported orders.

Accepted.

✓ Orders

The orders, accompanying the foregoing reports, are as follows:-

Ordered:-

That licenses be issued to the following-named persons to collect junk in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license, when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for each person so licensed; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Cara Forestein, 13 Water street,
Joseph Sigel, 92 Webster avenue, and
Stanislaw Stefanowicz, 9 Chestnut street.

Ordered:-

That licenses be issued to the following-named persons to say goods in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license, such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

John F. Caldwell, 357 Beacon street - fish, fruit & vegetables.
Cara Forestein, 13 Water street, junk.
James A. Laverty, 13 Dane avenue, provisions.
Andrew McCahey, 11 Durham street, fish and vegetables.
Joseph Sigel, 92 Webster avenue, junk and
Stanislaw Stefanowicz, 9 Chestnut street - junk.

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the following-named person to ring a bell for the sale of ice-cream in the streets of the city, such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Francesco A. Romano, 462 Main St., Charlestown.

Ordered:-

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That a license to keep an Intelligence Office, under the laws of the Commonwealth, be issued to the following-named party at the place of business hereinafter specified, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for such license, which license shall expire on the first day of May, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
Ellen L. Hodgdon.	35 Dana street.

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the following-named person to perform on musical instruments in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of fifty cents for each person so licensed; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

	Name, etc.
Guiseppe Mizzo.	play on clarionet.

Ordered:-

That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to issue to Edgar J. Howland, a druggist and apothecary and registered pharmacist, a license of the sixth class, to sell liquors, for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes only, and to such persons only, as may certify in writing for what use they may want it, at his place of business No. 370 Somerville avenue, in two rooms on the first floor, when he shall have filed with the City Treasurer a satisfactory bond, with surety, in the sum of one thousand dollars, and shall have paid the fee provided by law; said license to expire May 1st, 1899 unless sooner forfeited or rendered void.

Adopted.

The Committee on Licenses, on petitions for licenses from,- Reports

George S. Cahill, as an auctioneer,
Maria and Giovanni Cocozza, to play piano-organ in the streets,
Antonio Pirlando and another,
Augustine and Sabella F. Belgarmo,
Guiseppe Stasio, to play a hand-organ in the streets,

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Antonio Germani, to play a hand-organ in the streets.
Samuel Fine, to collect junk, 2nd
Samuel Fine, to cry goods in the streets.
reported leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

✓ Order

Alderman Darlin offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to the Somerville Section of the Socialist Labor Party, to hold a meeting on Central Hill Park, on July 4th, 1895, between the hours of 4 and 6 P.M.

Adoption lost by a yea and nay vote, Aldermen Tarbox and Darlin - 2, voting in the affirmative, and Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Lamont, Cummings and Ball - , voting in the negative, Alderman Kilmer absent.

✓ Report

The Committee on Fire Department, on sundry petitions for licenses to sell fireworks, reported an order.

Accepted.

✓ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,-

Ordered:-

That a license to sell Fireworks, on the following dates, to wit: from June 14th to July 4th, both inclusive, excluding Sundays, be issued to each of the following named parties at the place of business hereinafter specified, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of one dollar for such license, which license may be revoked at the pleasure of this board.

Name of Party	Place of Business
George T. Bailey,	89 Marshall Street
C. Bertram Briggs & Chas S. Hillard,	6 Holland Street
Charles H. Coy,	50 Union Square
Justus D. Dunbar,	2 North Union Street
Maria L. Eustis,	374 Medford Street
Austin H. Goldthwait,	683 Somerville Avenue
Sylvanus S. Gross,	45 Washington Street

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C. T. Guild,	25 A. Summer Street.
Arthur L. Hayden,	18 Union Square,
Ellen L. Hodgdon,	33 Dana Street,
Flora Macdonald,	527 Medford Street.
Lillian McKenney,	211 Washington Street,
Eleanor A. Scott,	93 Elm Street,
Herbert H. L. Smith,	277 Elm Street,
Rachel Stopp,	89 Newton Street,
M. H. Tattan,	456 B. Somerville Avenue.
Paul A. Valentine,	27 Webster Avenue.
Irving A. White,	203 Medford Street.
Thomas Woods,	418 Somerville Avenue.

Adopted.

On motion of Alderman Huntley, it was voted that the City Clerk be authorized to issue licenses to sell fireworks from June 14th to July 4th inclusive, to such parties as may make a petition therefor and pay the prescribed fee of one dollar. — Vote ✓

The Committee on Fire Department, on the petition of Stephen Brennan, for permission to erect and use a stationary engine at St. Ann's Church, corner of Medford and Thurston streets, for the purpose of hoisting building material, reported that the privilege prayed for is not now desired, and recommended leave to withdraw. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The Committee on Special Building Permits, on the petition of Francis E. Whitcomb, for a license to keep 30 horses in a stable to be erected on lot 22, situated on the southerly side of Washington street, nearly opposite Myrtle street, reported an order. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That a permit be, and hereby is, granted to Francis E. Whitcomb, to keep thirty horses in a stable to be erected on lot 22 situated

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on the southerly side of Washington street nearly opposite Myrtle street.
Adopted.

✓ Report — The Committee on Police, on an order dated Feb. 9th, to place rubber tires on the wheels of the Police Ambulance and to purchase, if found desirable, a set of hub runners for the ambulance, reported that rubber tires have been so purchased and placed on the ambulance at a cost of $75.00, and the ambulance has also been provided with a set of hub runners at a cost of $30.00.
Accepted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, June 9. Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Report — The Committee on Sewers, on the petition of Wilbur P. Rice, for the construction of a sewer in Windsor Road, northeasterly from Willow avenue, reported an order.
Accepted.

✓ Order — The order accompanying the foregoing report for the construction of a common sewer in Windsor Road and an additional order offered by Alderman Lamont, for the construction of a common sewer in a roadway on the City Farm land, are recorded respectively on pages 646 & 647 of volume 2 of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.
Read twice and adopted.
Approved by the Mayor, June 9, 1895.

✓ Report — The Committee on Sewers, in pursuance of an order dated May 21, submitted the following list of proposals received to construct on Broadway, from the manhole in the Metropolitan sewer near Fleming Brook northeasterly, - about 1600 feet of 10-inch and 200 feet of 8-inch pipe sewer, with 1850 feet of 6-inch porter drains, 11 manholes and 10 cubic yards of rock excavations, the pipe and manhole frames and covers to be furnished by the city.

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Name of Bidder	10" pipe sewer per lin. ft.	8" pipe sewer per lin. ft.	6" under-drain per lin. ft.	Manholes each	Rock excavation cu. yard	Estimated Aggregate
Richard Falvey	$ 0.85	$ 0.80	$ 0.20	$ 50.00	$ 3.00	$ 2,494.00
Maurice Buttimer	0.69	0.70	0.15	50.00	2.50	2,117.50
Dennis C. Collins	0.73	0.55	0.10	41.00	3.25	1,963.00
T. H. Bryne	0.60	0.60	0.15	40.00	3.00	1,845.50
T. F. Crimmings	0.68	0.57	0.08	37.00	3.00	1,804.10
S. C. Trumbull & Co.	0.73	0.77	0.02	35.00	3.00	1,797.10
Charles A. Morgan	0.50	0.65	0.30	38.00	4.00	1,777.50

and presented an order.

Accepted.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Sewers be, and they hereby are, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with Charles A. Morgan, for the construction of a common sewer in Broadway, commencing at the manhole on the Metropolitan Sewer near Alewife Brook and extending southeasterly in Broadway about 1830 feet, at the prices named in said committee's report this date.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, June 9, 1895.

The Committee on Highways, on the petition of Fred. B. Cochran for permission to stand a wagon in front of #46 Union Square, Saturday evenings, for the sale of plants, reported leave to withdraw. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The Committee on Highways, on petitions for sidewalks from Joseph McNeal and others, gravel with edgestones, in Ibbetson street, — Reports ✓

R. M. Greene and others, gravel with edgestones, southerly side of Robinson street, from Ames to Bartlett street,

Walter S. Sawyer and others, gravel with edgestones in Browning Road, from Sycamore street about 366.53 feet on the southerly side and from the terminus of the present brick sidewalk to the southwesterly line of lot No. 10, on the northerly side,

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A. Reynolds and others, brick on Morrison street,
Francis H. Valentine and others, brick, on Mines street, both sides, from Ames to Vernon street,
Mr. Albion H. Libby and the estate of Sarah J. Bradbury and others, brick, in Ames street, both sides, from Central to Bartlett street,
reported orders of notice of hearings.
Accepted.

√ Orders of Notice

The orders of notice accompanying the foregoing report of hearings on the construction of sidewalks in

Ames street
Browning Road, northerly side
Browning Road, southerly side
Ibbetson street, northwesterly side
Ibbetson street, southeasterly side
Mines street
Morrison street
Robinson street

as recorded respectively, on pages 19, 22, 25, 28, 31, 34, 37 and 40 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks, Hearings and Construction, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.
Read twice and adopted.
Approved by the Mayor, June 9, 1898.

√ Reports

The Committee on Highways,
on the petition of Jeremiah J. Meaney and others, that the name of Joseph street be changed to Lincoln avenue, reported leave to withdraw;
on an order dated May 15th for the purchase of a flag-staff for the City Stable, reported that a flag-staff has been purchased for the stable from S. D. Held, for the sum of $17.50;
Accepted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, June 9. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Report

The Committee on Highways, on the petition of Charles H. Ramsdell and others, for the laying out of Norton street, from Glen street to Knowlton

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street, presented a favorable report as recorded on page 41 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 9. Accepted in concurrence.

The order of notice accompanying the foregoing report, of a hearing on the laying out of Merton street, as recorded on page 42 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, was

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Read twice, and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 9. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, June 10, 1898.

The Committee on Public Property,—

Reports ✓

on an order, dated April 27, to provide a suitable flag-staff and flag for the City Hall, reported that a flag and flag-staff have been purchased as authorized, for the sum of $115.00

on the petition of Gillard C. Kinsley Post, No. 139, G. A. R. for permission to place a tablet on the rear end of the City Hall Annex, reported that permission has been granted, and that a tablet has been placed on said building.

on an order, dated January 19, for the purchase of a cabinet and cards for a card index to be placed in the office of the City Clerk, reported that a cabinet and cards have been purchased as authorized, for the sum of $350.00.

on an order, dated April 20, to procure suitable guards for seven windows in the City Treasurer's office, reported that window guards have been provided as authorized, at a cost of $56.00.

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 9. Accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Printing, on an order dated Feb. 16, to make a contract with the Somerville Journal Company for the printing of the annual reports for the year 1897, reported that the reports have been printed

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by said company under contract, as authorized, for the sum of $1562.98.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 9. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order:-

Ordered:-

That the board of overseers of the poor be and hereby is authorized to sell a quantity of flags and bunting which has come into the possession of said board, the sum received therefor to be credited to Support of Poor account.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 9. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, June 10, 1895.

√ Order

Alderman Tarbox offered the following order:-

Ordered:-

That a special committee of two aldermen be appointed by the president of this board to act, jointly with a similar committee appointed by the president of the common council, said joint committee to confer with the officers of the express companies doing business between this city and the Chickamauga camp in relation to obtaining a reduction of rates for those sending goods to members of the U.S. Army whose residences are in Somerville.

Adopted and Alderman Tarbox and Lapham appointed to the committee on the part of this board. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 9. Adopted and Councilmen Kenney, Vinal and Cushman appointed to the committee on the part of this branch, in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, June 10, 1895.

Adjourned.

Attest,

George F. Vincent

Clerk.

√ Order

Construct Sewer on City Farm

Alderman Lamont offered an order for the construction of a common sewer in the Roadway on City Farm Land, as recorded on page 645 of volume 1 of the Records of the Taking of Land for and Orders to Construct Sewers of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, June 9, 1895.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville, June 15, 1898.— 8 P.M.

The President, Alderman Ball, presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Dawlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved.

In pursuance of an order passed June 8th, a hearing was given for all persons desiring to object to the granting of the petition of Carrie B. Tollett, for permission to project, 12 inches over the sidewalk, the cornice of a one-story block of stores to be erected at Nos. 519 to 523 Medford street; due notice of the hearing having been published as required by said order. — Hearing ✓

No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

In pursuance of an order passed May 25, a hearing was given for all persons desiring to object to the granting of the petition of Messrs. Colkin and Ham for permission to erect and use two portable steam boilers, each of 10-horse power, on land off Edgemont Street, coal to be used for fuel. One of said boilers to furnish power for a steam drill and the other to furnish power for a steam derrick in connection with the blasting and removal of rock; due notice of the hearing having been published as required by said order. — Hearing ✓

No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

Received from the Common Council the following order,— — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the name of Keacham street in Ward Three be changed to some suitable name other than any already existing.

(signed) John F. Foster

In Common Council, June 9. Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, June 15. Reference concurred in.

Received from the Common Council the following order,— — Order ✓

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Ordered:-

That a special committee consisting of three members of the Common Council, and such members of the Board of Aldermen as may be joined, consider the subject of the City Charter and report its findings and recommendations to the City Council.

(signed) Robert Burns

In Common Council, June 9. Adopted and Councilmen Burns, Kimmerman and Foster appointed on the part of this branch. Sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, June 15. Adopted and Aldermen Kilmer and Dahlen appointed to the committee on the part of this board, in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, June 16, 1898.

√ Drain Layer's Bond

Received a drain layer's bond, in the sum of One Thousand Dollars, and in the form which has been approved by the City Solicitor, from Daniel F. Dorey, with Julius A. Durell of Somerville and Hillard B. Bryne of Medford as securities.

Accepted and approved.

√ Petitions

Received petitions for licenses to sell fireworks from,-

Nathan R. Barrows, at 394 Washington street.
Caffengas and Co., at 69 Pearl street.
Joseph Cohen, at 83 Webster avenue.
Creighton and Clark, 282 Elm street.
Thomas Curtis, at 68 Prescott street.
Primo Diozzi, at 598 Somerville avenue.
Foster P. Doane, at 412 Highland avenue.
Susie and Eunice Elliott, at 61 Newton street.
Joseph E. Evans, at 378 Somerville avenue.
Michael L. Kennessey, at 526 1/2 Medford street.
Helen E. Kline, at 22 Glen street.
Harry E. Hooker, at 115 Perkins street.
Arthur S. Knapp, at 60 Pearl street.
Robert H. Lewis, at 19 Meacham street.
Edward J. Llewellyn, at 216 Somerville avenue.

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John Mack, at 79 Concord avenue.
Henry J. McLean, at 284 Beacon street.
Katie E. McNabb, at 518 Medford street.
Jacob A. Phillips, at 145 Glen street.
Simon Rubineau, at 419 Somerville avenue.
Isabella H. Stewart, at 51 Franklin street.
Benjamin G. White, at 15 Mashua street.
Licenses granted to sell from this day to July 4th inclusive.

Received petitions for licenses to collect junk from — Petitions ✓
Louis Perlman (previous petition approved by the Chief of Police)
Benjamin Cohen (disapproved by the Chief of Police)
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received a petition from Horace Fisher, for a license to collect junk and to cry his calling in the streets, approved by the Chief of Police. — Petition ✓
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received petitions for licenses to cry their goods in the streets, from — Petitions ✓
Benjamin Cohen (disapproved by the Chief of Police)
Edward Ryan (approved by the Chief of Police)
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received petitions for licenses, from — Petitions ✓
Katie McNabb, as a common victualler, at 518 Medford street.
Simon Rubineau, as a common victualler, at 419 Somerville avenue.
Maria and Giovanni Cocozza, to play an accordion and to sing in the streets.
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received a petition from Aaron H. Gould, for gravel sidewalks with edgestones in front of his estates Nos. 104 to 112, inclusive, on the westerly side of Belmont street, he to bray the cost of the material. — Petition ✓
Referred to Committee on Highways.

Received petitions from, — Petitions ✓

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The American Express Company and others, for a crossing on School street continuous with the westerly sidewalk of Richdale avenue.

Israel P. Rice, for a driveway on Linden avenue at the entrance of Linden Circle the petitioner to pay the cost.

Hudson Nash and others for the acceptance of Hinslow avenue from Grove street to Clifton street.

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 15. Reference concurred in.

√ Communication

Received the following communication,—

To the City Council of Somerville.

Gentlemen:—

The Somerville Fourth of July Association feel that, owing to the present condition of our country and the needs of those who have given their services for the protection of our national honor, both city and citizens should dispense this year with the usual expensive celebration of Independence Day and use the money thus saved for the benefit of those of our citizens who have gone to the front.

We feel however that it is a duty which we owe to the rising generation that the day which means so much to the American People should be commemorated in an appropriate manner. We therefore respectfully suggest that a committee of five members of the city council be appointed to cooperate with an equal number from this association to arrange for a public demonstration on Central Hill on July 4th next.

By order and in behalf of The Somerville Fourth of July Association

Isaac M. Story,

Secretary.

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, June 15. Read for information.

√ Communication

Received the following communication,—

Somerville, June 13, 1898.

Mr. John N. Ball

Dear Sir:—

The Somerville Volunteer Ladies' Aid Society has been organized for the purpose of aiding the Somerville United States Volunteers in what-

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ever possible way, - and as some of the members saw in the papers that the city were talking of doing away with the appropriation for fireworks on the fourth of July, we take the liberty (as a society) to ask the City Government if we may have the use of Central Hill on that evening for a lawn party where cake and cream could be sold and furnish a patriotic programme.

The proceeds would be used for the boys who have gone and are going to the front.

We hope this will be duly considered and brought before the board at the next meeting as we are to meet on Thursday evening at the First M.B. Church.

There is much to be done and money is needed very much to work with, so we trust this may seem satisfactory to you all.

We are respectfully, for the society,

Miss Addie A. Yorke, President.
55 Bow St.

Miss May G. Canfield, Sec.
26½ Vinal Ave.

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, June 15. Read for information.

The Committee on Licenses, - Reports ✓

on the petition of Abraham Sowks for a license to collect junk and to cry his calling as a junk collector in the streets, reported leave to withdraw.

on petitions from sundry persons for licenses to cry their goods in the streets reported an order.

on the petition of George H. Phillips for a license to ring a bell in the streets for the sale of ice-cream, reported an order.

on the petition of Henry T. Roche for a license to collect junk, reported an order.

Accepted.

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows, - Orders ✓

Ordered: -

That a license be issued to each of the following-named

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persons to cry his goods in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such licence; such licence to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Flora F. Curran, — vegetables
Michael J. Dacey, — domestic fruit
Frank Garfine, — vegetables and domestic fruit
Christos Girias, — fruit
Charles Howe, — fish, fruit and vegetables
James A. Lavery, — fish, fruit and vegetables
George McLaney, — fish and vegetables
Lorenzo F. Powers, — fruit and vegetables
Henry Ray, — fruit and vegetables

Ordered.

That a licence be issued to the following-named person to ring a bell for the sale of ice-cream in the streets of the city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such licence; such licence to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

George H. Phillips

Ordered.

That a licence be issued to the following-named person to collect junk in this city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such licence, when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for each person so licensed; such licence to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Henry T. Roche

Adopted.

✓ Report. The Committee on Special Building Permits, on the petition of Carrie B. Follett for permission to project the cornice of a one-story block of stores at Nos. 519 to 523 Medford street, 12 inches over the sidewalk, reported an order.

Accepted.

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The order, accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to Lewis B. Follett to build and maintain projections over sidewalks as follows:— At Nos. 519 to 533 Medford street, northeasterly side, next to the corner of Broadway, the cornice of a one-story block of five stores, to project over the sidewalk twelve inches.

Adopted.

Alderman Lapham offered an order granting track locations to the West End Street Railway Company in Union Square, Washington street, Somerville avenue, Webster avenue and Bow street, as recorded on page 341 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways and Moving Buildings, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. Order ✓ Reception and Assessment filed June 29, 1898.

Adopted.

The Committee on Highways,— Reports ✓

on the petition of the Somerville Hospital for the abatement of its assessment of $74.75 for sidewalk on Crocker street, reported an order

on the petition of James H. Maguire, for a brick sidewalk with edgestones in front of his premises on the southwesterly side of Medford street, southeasterly from Partridge avenue, reported an order.

Accepted.

The orders, accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows,— Orders ✓

Ordered:—

That the sum of seventy-four and 79/100 dollars, being an assessment, assessed to the Somerville Hospital, as a benefit accruing to their estate on Crocker street, by the construction of a sidewalk on said street, be, and the said sum is hereby abated.

Adopted.

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to construct a brick sidewalk with edgestones in front of the estate of James H. Maguire, situated on the southwesterly side of Medford street, southeasterly from Partridge avenue, when he shall have first made a deposit of a sum

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of money sufficient to cover the cost of the materials, the balance of the expense incurred to be charged to Sidewalks account.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, June 16, 1895.

✓ Reports

The Committee on Highways,—

on an order dated May 15th for the construction of a driveway in front of the premises of George D. Hilden, at Nos. 441 to 445 Somerville avenue, reported that a driveway has been constructed as authorized, at an expense of $24.00, which expense has been borne by said Hilden.

on the petition of Jeremiah Sullivan, for a driveway in front of his estate No. 30 Prescott street, at his expense, reported an order.

on the petition of James A. Kiley, for two driveways, at his expense, across the sidewalk of Linwood street in front of his carriage factory at the westerly corner of Fitchburg and Linwood streets, reported an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 15. Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Orders

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports, with an additional order offered by Alderman Lapham, are as follows:—

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is authorized to construct a driveway in front of the estate of Jeremiah Sullivan, No. 30 Prescott street, when he shall have first made a deposit with the City Treasurer of a sum of money sufficient to cover the estimated cost of said construction.

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is authorized to construct two driveways in front of the estate of James A. Kiley on Linwood street, in front of his carriage factory situated at the westerly corner of Fitchburg and Linwood streets, when he shall have first deposited with the City Treasurer a sum of money sufficient to cover the estimated cost of said driveways.

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is authorized to purchase a horse for the use of the department at a cost not to exceed

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one hundred and fifty dollars — and to dispose of one horse, the expense of purchase and the sum received for sale of horse, to be charged and credited to Highways account.

Read twice, and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 15. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, June 16, 1898.

The Committee on Ordinances, on an order dated Feb. 9th to prepare and submit a draft of an ordinance which will provide for the retirement of all members of the Police Department hereafter appointed, when they severally shall have reached the age of 65 years, reported inexpedient to take any action. Report ✓

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 15. Accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Accounts, on an order dated May 18th for the approval in pay-roll of Miscellaneous, of bills not exceeding $35.00 in amount, for expenses incidental to the flag-raising at City Hall on the evening of May 18, 1898, reported that a bill in favor of Teele's band for $23.00 and another in favor of C. H. Coy for fireworks to the value of $11.50, had been approved under said order. Report ✓

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 15. Accepted in concurrence.

The joint special committee appointed to confer with the officers of express companies doing business between this city and the camps at Chickamauga Park, Georgia, with a view to a reduction of rates for those sending goods to the soldiers of the U. S. Army there encamped and whose residences are in Somerville, reported that the committee had waited upon General Manager Loving, of the Adams Express Company, and learned from him that the company had completed arrangements with the Southern express company, whereby two-thirds rate would be charged for all express packages sent to the various companies now in southern camps, these terms to apply on goods directed to companies only and not to individuals. Report ✓

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Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 15. Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Order — Alderman Darlin offered the following order:-

Ordered:-

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to the Somerville Ladies' Aid Society to use Central Hill Park for a Lawn party on the evening of July 4th, 1898, the proceeds from said party to be devoted to the use of the Somerville Soldiers in the field.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 15. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, June 16, 1898.

✓ Order — Alderman Huntley offered the following order:-

Ordered:-

That a joint special committee consisting of two members of this board, together with such number from the Common Council as may be advisable be appointed to have a band to play on Central Hill, during the day and evening of July 4th, the expense so incurred to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Read twice and adopted, and Alderman Huntley and Lamont appointed to the Committee on the part of this board. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 15. Read twice and adopted in concurrence, and Councilmen Lord, Smith and Burrows appointed on the part of this branch.

Approved by the Mayor, June 16, 1898.

✓ Order — On motion of Alderman Darlin, the order offered May 11, for the making of a contract with the Welsbach Street Lighting Company of America for the furnishing of 375 more or less of their improved 60-candle power Welsbach street light fixtures and keystone lanterns for a term of three years, at a cost not to exceed $30.00 per light, the lights to burn each and every night in the year, amounting in the aggregate to 3750 hours, and the company to furnish all fixtures, posts, etc. and to assume all expense in the care of the same, - was taken from the table.

Received its second reading. Adoption lost by a yea and nay

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vote, - Aldermen Dawlin and Lamont - 2 - voting in the affirmative, and Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Taylor, Kilmer, Cummings and Bell - 6 - voting in the negative.

Adjourned

Attest,

George S Vincent

Clerk

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville. June 22, 1898 — 8 P.M.

The President, Alderman Ball, presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Cummings and Ball present.

Records approved.

√ Hearings

In pursuance of orders approved May 19, hearings were given for all persons desiring to object to the construction of gravel sidewalks, with edgestones, in

Cutter avenue,
Grant street,
Giggleswerth street, easterly side,
and
Giggleswerth street, westerly side;

all parties interested having been duly notified, as appears by the officers returns recorded, respectively, on pages 8, 11, 14 and 17 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

In the Cutter avenue hearing Mr Richard B. Cutter appeared and objected to the proposed sidewalk because of the expense. He would be assessed for a frontage of about 160 feet. His land is vacant and brings him in nothing. Mrs Annie Richardson, owning at the corner of Highland avenue and Cutter avenue, with a frontage of about 70 feet on Cutter avenue, also objected because of the expense. She thought also that a curbstone should be set in Highland avenue, that being the main thoroughfare, before one is set in Cutter avenue.

In the matter of the proposed sidewalk on the westerly side of Giggleswerth street, a communication favoring the construction of such sidewalk was received from Annie D. Hogan.

To other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, in either case, the hearings were closed.

√ Order

Alderman Lamont offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

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That a message be sent to the common council requesting a convention of the two branches of the city council in the Common Council Chamber this evening, for the purpose of giving hearings to all persons desiring to object in the matters of the taking of lands for common sewers in

Endicott avenue,
Farragut avenue,
Garrison avenue,
Victoria street,
Waterhouse street,
and
Goodstock street, private lands, and a proposed street;

orders of notice of such hearings having been approved May 27, 1898.

Adopted and Alderman Lamont appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council.

In Common Council, June 22. Request granted and Councilman Perry appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.

In Convention of the City Council — Convention

The President, Alderman Ball, presiding.

Alderman Lephaux, Huntley, Tarbox, Darling, Lamont, Cummings and Ball, President Wilson and Councilmen Osborne, Thomson, Burns, Gracey, Crocker, Perry, Lord and Final present.

In pursuance of orders passed May 25th and this evening, hearings were given for all persons desiring to object to the taking of land for the purposes of common sewers in — Hearings ✓

Endicott avenue,
Farragut avenue,
Garrison avenue,
Victoria street,
Waterhouse street,
Goodstock street, Private Lands and a Proposed Street;

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The purpose for which it was assembled having been accomplished the convention was dissolved and the board of aldermen returned to its chamber.

In Board of Aldermen
The President, Alderman Bell, presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Kindley, Tarbell, Dunbar, Jones, Cummings & Bell present.

all parties interested having been duly notified, as appears by the officer's returns recorded, respectively, on pages 435, 443, 451, 459, 467 and 475 of volume 1 of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Mr. Cyrus A. Reed, owning on Farragut avenue, and Mr. Barnes, representing Mrs. Charlotte A. Barnes, owning on Garrison avenue at the corner of Broadway, appeared and asked for information, in various particulars, as to the construction of and assessment for the proposed sewers, but made no objection.

No other persons interested, appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearings were closed.

√ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order:-

Ordered:-

That from July 1st, 1898, the sum of one hundred fifty dollars be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from Miscellaneous account, for maintenance of the City Engineer's team.

(signed) Frank P. Burrows.

In Common Council, June 15. Referred to Committee on City Engineering and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, June 22. Referred to Committee on City Engineering in concurrence.

√ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order:-

Ordered:-

That the stand-pipe now standing in front of the estate situated at the corner of Highland avenue and Willow avenue be changed to some suitable location on Willow avenue.

(signed) John F. Foster.

In Common Council, June 15. Referred to Committee on Water and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, June 22. Referred to Committee on Water in concurrence.

√ Notice of Hearing

Received from the Board of Police of the City of Boston, notice of a hearing before that board, at its office Thursday, June 23rd, at 11

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o'clock A. M. on the application of John Lyons and Company for a transfer of their liquor license of the first class, from #120 Leverett street, to #130 and #132 Cambridge street, Charlestown.

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, June 22. Read for information.

Received jury exemption rolls from Companies A. & D. First Corp Cadets. — Jury Exemption Rolls ✓

Placed on file.

Received petitions, - each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors, - — Petitions ✓

William O'Brien, Bertrand G. Rowe,

both approved by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

Received a petition from the Camera Club of the English High School, for a license to hold a lawn party and exhibition on the grounds of the Somerville Tennis Club, Elm street, Wednesday evening, June 22; recommended by the Chief of Police. — Petition ✓

Licenses granted.

Received a petition from Isaac L. Bersey, for a license as an auctioneer. — Petition ✓

Licenses granted.

Received petitions from, - — Petitions ✓

Benjamin Scheinberg, to collect junk;

Luis Marks and John J. Ronan, to cry goods in the streets;

Fred B. Cochran, to ring a bell in the streets for the sale of ice cream;

Raffaele Galanzi, a scissors sharpener, to ring a bell in the streets;

Ciro Asciglianos, as a common victualler at #8 South street;

Highland Congregational Church, to hold open air meetings or services from a gospel wagon in Davis square, Gilman square and Union square, on the Sundays between June 20 and Sept.

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under 15, between the hours of four, and five-thirty P.M.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

✓ Petitions

Received petitions for licenses to sell fireworks from,—

Louis O. Chewer, at #450 A Highland avenue.

Charles T. Guild, at #23 Dane street.

Joseph H. Wheatland, at #56 A Newton street.

Licenses granted to sell from this day to July 4th inclusive.

✓ Petition

Received a petition from John C. Driscoll and others, that the rebuilding of the factory at #29-#31 Otis street, under the management of Kimball and Son, be not allowed, the said factory being a great danger to the community in which it is situated and also decreasing the value of the neighboring property and being detrimental to the letting of tenements in said property, owing to the fact that this factory is a decided nuisance and a great danger.

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

✓ Petition

Received a petition from Edward L. Hadley of #36 Myrtle avenue, Cambridge, for permission to drain his premises in Cambridge, fronting on Line street and consisting of lot 1 on plan made for the Union Associates by H. A. Mason, containing 2408 square feet of land, more or less, with buildings, into the sewer of the City of Somerville in said Line street, on payment of a reasonable charge for such privilege.

Placed on file.

✓ Petition

Received a petition from Collins and Ham, for a permit to blast on their property on Clarendon Hill, West Somerville, on Saturday afternoon of each week, between the hours of three and five o'clock.

Given leave to withdraw by a yea and nay vote, Aldermen Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont and Ball—4, voting in favor of such action and Aldermen Lapham, Huntley and Cummings—3, voting against the same.

✓ Petition

Received a petition from Philip J. Fitzpatrick for permission to hang an American flag, size six by ten feet, on Houghton street, with wire and cord, to be attached to the buildings numbered, respectively, 12 & 15 on

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said street.

Permission granted.

Received petitions from,— Petitions ✓

Philip Eberle, for the removal of the trees in front of Nos. 242 and 244 Somerville avenue, as said trees are in the middle of the sidewalk, which renders them dangerous to pedestrians, particularly at night, and are a nuisance to the said premises on account of the nature of the trees, they being balm of gilead, and the roots growing all over the yard;

A. F. Underwood, for permission to place a private wire across Richdale avenue, corner of School street, from one-story buildings owned by A. K. Fletcher, the wire to be placed underground or overhead as the board may direct;

John J. Bradbury, for permission to set a hitching post in front of No. 52 Adams street;

Referred to Committee on Highways

Received a petition from J. Harvey White and others, for a crosswalk on Broadway, from the northwesterly corner of Central street to the foot of the steps on that portion of Broadway commonly called Broadway Terrace. Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 22. Reference concurred in

Received a petition from Henry A. Pitman, Captain of the 3rd Company of Infantry, Massachusetts Provisional Militia, for the use of the armory formerly used by Co. A 8th Regt. Infantry, and the Hall over said armory, agreeably to the provisions of Section 90 of Chapter 367 of the Acts of the year 1890 Petition ✓

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, June 22. Read for information

Aldermen Tarbox offered the following order,— Order ✓

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Ordered:-

That the license to sell newspapers granted by this board to Toby J. White on April 27th, be and the same hereby is revoked; the licensee having surrendered his license and badge.

Adopted.

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1 Order

Alderman Huntley offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That a joint special committee to consist of two members of the board of aldermen with such number of councilmen, as may be joined, be appointed to take all proper measures of opposing the granting, by the Board of Police of the City of Boston, of licenses (other than those of the fifth class) for the sale of intoxicating liquors in that portion of the City of Boston lying between the Boston & Maine R.R. and the boundary line of this city.

Adopted and Aldermen Huntley and Lamont appointed to the committee on the part of this board. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 22. Adopted in concurrence and Councilmen Burrows and Berry appointed on the part of this branch.

Approved by the Mayor, June 24, 1895.

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1 Order

Alderman Huntley offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That permission be and it hereby is granted to the Knights of Malta to parade with side arms from their armory at Pythian Hall, Union Square, to the First Church of Congregational Church on Franklin street and return, on Sunday, June 26, 1895.

Adopted.

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1 Order

Alderman Lamont offered the following order,-

Ordered-

That, on the receipt by the City Treasurer of the sum of Thirty-three and 54/100 Dollars from Edward D. Hadley of Cambridge, the city engineer be and he hereby is authorized to issue a permit for the laying of a drain for the purpose of draining into the sewer in Lane street the premises of said Hadley situated in Cambridge, on the southwesterly

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side of said Lowe street, distant southwesterly one hundred feet from Washington or Kirkland street, comprising 2408 square feet of land, more or less, with buildings, and being the lot numbered 1 on plan entitled "Washington and Lowe Sts. Sewer, Lowe st. section," made by Geo. A. Kimball, City Engineer, dated Sept. 1, 1879, and on file in the City Engineer's office.

Adopted.

Resolves and orders for the taking of land for the purposes of common sewers in — Resolves and Orders ✓

Endicott avenue,
Farragut avenue,
Garrison avenue,
Victoria street,
Waterhouse street,
Woodstock street, Private Lands and a Proposed Street,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 436 to 440, 444 to 448, 452 to 456, 460 to 464, 468 to 472 and 476 to 480, inclusive, of volume 1 of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 22. Read twice and adopted, in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, June 24, 1898.

Alderman Lamont offered orders for the construction of a storm water drain and sewer in Day street, and common sewers in — Orders ✓

Endicott avenue,
Farragut avenue, from sewer in proposed street, northerly,
Farragut avenue, from sewer in Broadway, southwesterly,
Garrison avenue,
Victoria street,
Waterhouse street,
Woodstock street, Private Lands, and a Proposed street,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 650, 652, 654, 656, 658, 660, 662, and

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664 of volume 1 of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, June 24, 1898.

√ Order. Alderman Tarkey offered the following order,—

Whereas, Collins & Ham have petitioned this board for permission to blast with gunpowder on their property off Edgemont street in this city,— it is hereby

Ordered:— that the said petitioners be, and they hereby are given leave to withdraw.

Adopted.

√ Resolves and Orders. Alderman Lapham offered resolves and orders for the construction of sidewalks in

Grant street

Higgleworth street, easterly side,

Higgleworth street, westerly side,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 12, 15 and 18 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks,— Hearings and Construction,— of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, June 24, 1898.

√ Report. The Committee on Highways, on the petition of Hudson Nash and others for the laying out of Winslow avenue, from Grove street to Clifton street, submitted a favorable report as recorded on page 49 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 22. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order of Notice. Accompanying the foregoing report was an order of notice of a hearing on the laying out of Winslow avenue, as recorded on page 50 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, June 22. Read twice and adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor, June 23, 1898.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered: —

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to purchase a Steam Road Roller at an expense not to exceed thirty-two hundred dollars, the amount so expended under said order to be charged to Highways, Steam Road Roller Account

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 22. Read twice and adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor, June 24, 1898.

The Committee on Fuel and Street Lights submitted the following list of proposals received for the furnishing of fuel for the school-houses and public buildings of the city: — Report ✓

Name of Bidder	Coal			Wood	
	Furnace	Egg	Stove	Hard	Soft
Baker, Hunnewell & Co.	$4.51	$4.44	$4.70	$6.50	$5.50
L. L. Smith	4.24	4.24	4.24	6.75	5.50
Hillington-Kelly Coal Co.	4.17	4.32	4.52	6.50	4.75

All the above bids for fuel being for the year ending July 1, 1899. —

also the following proposal from Frank A. Tyler: —

For such quantity of Lackawanna furnace, egg and stove coal as may be delivered by Sept. 1, 1898, to the six school buildings on Hard Four, — for $4.49, $4.73 and $4.95 per ton of 2000 lbs. All delivered after Sept. 1 to be at the regular retail price less 25¢ per ton. Soft wood $5.50 per cord, hard wood $7.00 per cord.

Or will furnish the six school buildings in Hard Four with furnace coal at $4.74, egg $4.95, and stove at $5.25 for such quantities as may be required before January 1, 1899, the greater part to be delivered before Sept. 1, 1898; such amounts as are required after Jan. 1, 1899 will be 25¢ less than the regular retail price at date of delivery. Hard wood $7.00 and soft wood $5.50 per cord,

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and the Committee submitted an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 26. Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Order.

The order accompanying the foregoing report was as follows, –

Ordered –

That the Committee on Fuel & Street Lights be, and they hereby are, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with the Wellington-Kilo Coal Co., for the furnishing of fuel for all schoolhouses and public buildings of the city to July 1, 1899, at the prices named in their proposal submitted in said committee's report this evening, namely, – for furnace egg and stove coal, $4.47, $4.02, and $4.32 per ton, respectively, and for hard and soft wood, $6.50, and $4.75 per cord, respectively; and it is further ordered that the said Wellington-Kilo Coal Co. shall furnish a bond in the sum of one thousand dollars satisfactory to the Committee on Fuel & Street Lights.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 26. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, June 26, 1895.

✓ Order.

Alderman Dodge offered the following order, –

Ordered –

That the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights be, and hereby is, authorized to make a contract with the Kalamazoo Street Lighting Company for the furnishing, under a three years contract, from July 1st, 1895, or as soon after as practicable, one hundred and seventeen (117) Kalamazoo Street Lights of forty candle power, said Company to furnish at their expense, all illuminants, mantles and materials, including their standard ornamental iron posts, at said posts, and connect same with mains where gas is used, also to furnish at their expense, men to clean, light and extinguish, and to perform all labor necessary; lights to burn from dusk until dawn, every night in the year, being a total of 3700 hours. The city to pay said company, a sum not exceeding thirty dollars per light, per year, the expense so incurred to be charged to Street Lights account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 26. Read twice and adopted in con-

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concurrence by the following yea and nay votes Councilmen Osborne, Thomson, Burns, Burrows, Lord, Kinal and the President (7) voting in the affirmative and Councilmen Crocker, Perry and Foster (3) in the negative; absent or not voting, Councilmen Kenney, Smith, Cushman, Grimmons, Gracey and Story.

Approved by the Mayor, June 21, 1898.

Alderman Cummings offered the following order:- Order

Ordered:-

That permission be, and it hereby is, granted to the Third Company of Infantry, M.P.M., to use the armory formerly used by Co. M 5th Regt., M.V.M. in the Police Building on Bow street, together with the hall over said armory, agreeably to the provisions of section 90, of chapter 367, Acts of 1898.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 22. Adopted in concurrence.

Alderman Darlin offered the following order:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That permission be, and it hereby is, granted to the Somerville Fourth of July Association to use Central Hill during the morning of July 4th next, and that the sum of one hundred dollars be, and it hereby is, appropriated towards defraying the expense of furnishing a tent and the construction of a suitable platform to be used in carrying out the entertainment to be given by said association; the expense so incurred to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Read twice, and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 22. Read twice, and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, June 24, 1898.

Received, an invitation from the Somerville 4th of July Association to attend the exercises of said association on Central Hill on the morning of July 4th next, at 10 o'clock. Invitation ✓

Invitation accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, June 22. Invitation accepted in concurrence.

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Adjourned

Attest,

George S. Vincent

Clerk

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville, July 13, 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved.

Hearings ✓

In pursuance of order approved June 9th, hearings were given, for all persons desiring to object, in the matters of the construction of sidewalks in

Ames Street,
Browning Road, northerly side,
Browning Road, southerly side
Ibbetson Street, northwesterly side,
Ibbetson Street, southeasterly side,
Mines Street
Morrison Street
Robinson Street

all parties interested having been duly notified, as appears by the officers returns, recorded, respectively, on pages 20, 23, 26, 29, 32, 35, 38 and 41 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

In the Ames street hearing, Mr. Parker Ridler appeared and objected to the construction of a brick sidewalk on the southerly side of Ames street, unless one be laid at the same time on the northerly side, as the petition presented contemplated sidewalks on both sides of the street, and the owners on the northerly side were very desirous that one be laid in front of their premises.

In the Morrison street hearing, Mrs. Lydia C. Tibbets, an owner of an estate having a frontage of 76 feet, 4 inches on said street, appeared and objected because the present gravel sidewalk with edgestones satisfied her and she was unable at present to bear the expense of a brick walk. She had no objection to the laying of sidewalks in front of the other estates on the street if the owners so desired.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be

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heard in either case, the hearings were closed.

Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That a message be sent to the common council requesting a convention of the two branches of the city council in the common council chamber this evening for the purpose of giving hearings for all persons desiring to object, in the matter of the laying out of

Norton street

and

Winslow avenue;

orders of notice of such hearings having been approved, respectively, June 10 and June 27.

Adopted, and Alderman Lapham appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council.

In Common Council, July 13. Request granted and Councilman Burns appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.

Convention

In Convention of the City Council

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tasker, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings, and Ball, President Kilson and Councilmen Kenney, Smith, Cushman, Burns, Burrows, Stacey, Crocker, Perry, Lord, Kinal and Foster present.

Hearings

In pursuance of orders passed June 5th, 9th, 22nd and this evening, hearings were given, for all persons desiring to object, in the matter of the laying out of

Norton street

and

Winslow avenue;

all parties interested having been duly notified as appears by the officers returns recorded, respectively, on pages 43 and 51 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of

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Somerville.

No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard in either case, the hearings were closed.

(The foregoing hearing on the laying out of Windsor avenue was premature as the date for the hearing named in the order of notice was July 27th; see records of July 27.)

The purpose for which it was assembled having been duly accomplished the convention was dissolved and the Mayor and Aldermen returned to their chamber. — Convention dissolved

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In Board of Aldermen. — Board of Aldermen

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Talbot, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.

Received from the Common Council the following order,- — Order ✓

Ordered -

That the Committee on Ordinances be, and it hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of submitting a draft of an ordinance that in all future contracts entered into by the city, whereby excavations are to be made, the surplus filling shall, in all cases, be at the disposal of the Highway Department when desired.

(signed) Orin A. Gracey

In Common Council June 22. Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, July 13. Adoption lost.

Received the report of the Chief of Police for the month of June. — Report ✓

Placed on file.

Received the report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for the month of May. — Report ✓

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Read and sent down for information.
In Common Council, July 13. Read for information.

√ Drain Layer's Bond

Received a drain-layer's bond in the sum of one thousand dollars and in the form which has been approved by the City Solicitor, from Daniel H. Perry, with Asa Durgin and Andrew L. Lewis as sureties; said bond having been received by the city clerk, for presentation to this board, before July 1.
Accepted and approved.

√ Communication

Received a communication from the Volunteer Ladies' Aid Association extending a vote of thanks for the use of Central Hill on July 4th, and also for the band, tents and police force furnished by the city.
Read and sent down for information.
In Common Council, July 13. Read for information.

√ Petition

Received a petition from the Volunteer Ladies' Aid Association that immediate action be taken under chapter 561 of the Acts of 1898 providing for the dependent families of the soldiers now engaged in the service of their country.
Read and sent down for information.
In Common Council, July 13. Read for information.

√ Invitation

Received an invitation from H. C. Maybury, Mayor of Detroit, Michigan, chairman of reception committee, and John MacVicar, Mayor of Des Moines, Iowa, and others, executive committee, to attend the second annual convention of the League of American Municipalities to be held at Detroit, Michigan, August 1 to August 4, inclusive.
Read and sent down for information.
In Common Council, July 13. Read for information.

√ Petitions

Received petitions, each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors:—
Frederick J. Carr, Olof Kindlund, William J. McCarthy and Clarence Skinner, all approved by the Chief of Police.
Licenses granted.

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Received a petition from William J. Casey, for a license to collect junk; approved by the Chief of Police. Referred to Committee on Licenses.	Petition ✓
Received a petition from Solomon Kamenash for a license to collect junk and to cry his calling as a junk collector in the streets, approved by the Chief of Police. Referred to Committee on Licenses.	Petition ✓
Received petitions for licenses to cry their goods in the streets, from John Bradhurst, James Martspuloc, Peter Predaris, Daniel F. Quigley, John Reardon, and Reuben Winthrop, all approved by the Chief of Police. Referred to Committee on Licenses.	Petitions ✓
Received petitions from,— C. Edgar Keniston, for a license as a common victualler at 27 A. Park street; Giacomo Marai and Nicola Tigiara, for a license to play a hand-organ in the streets. Referred to Committee on Licenses.	Petitions ✓
Received petitions for licenses to sell fireworks, from,— Reuben F. Hart, 25 Bow street, Mary Higgins, 4 Trull street, Isabel Foster, 580 Highland avenue, Sarah D. and Mary E. Sargent, 218 A. Pearl street, John A. Spencer, 77 Park street, Mr. Eliphalet H. Underhill, 99 Moreland street, Thomas W. Woodland, 346 Somerville avenue. Licenses issued by the city clerk, under a vote passed by the board of aldermen, June 8th, to sell from the date of issue to July 4th, inclusive. Issuing of licenses approved.	Petitions ✓
Received a petition from George L. Elliot, of 182 Spring St., Medford, for a license to keep 8 horses in a stable to be erected by Franklin	Petition ✓

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O. Reed, on his land on the southeasterly side of Kensington avenue 82 feet northeasterly from Mystic avenue.

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

√ Petitions — Received a petition from Mrs. Jane A. Hassett and others, for a catch basin at the end of Meriam street.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

√ Petitions — Received petitions from,

Somerville Electric Light Company, for a location for a pole on Broadway at the northwest corner of Sycamore street.

Somerville Electric Light Company, for a location for a pole and permission to remove the pole now standing on the easterly side of Sycamore street between Browning Road and Chapel street.

O. C. Hubbard, for permission to set a hitching-post in front of his premises No. 97 Highland avenue.

A. B. Hence and Edmund H. Gooding, for a brick sidewalk on the southwesterly side of Boston street from the northwest corner of the Gilson estate to Washington street.

Caleb J. James and others, for brick sidewalks with edgestones in Joy street, from Washington street to Poplar street.

Charles H. Armadell and others for gravel sidewalks with edgestones on both sides of Boston street, from Glen street to Knowlton street.

D. H. Desmond and C. A. Small, for a complete sidewalk on the westerly side of School street from Montrose street to Medford street, with paved gutters.

George H. Towle, for a gravel sidewalk with edgestones on the southeasterly side of Higgleworth street, in front of his estate situated at the northeasterly corner of Higgleworth and Otis streets.

Also a waiver of notice of a hearing from The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts, in the matter of certain necessary changes in the locations of its poles on Summer street, between Craigie street and Linden avenue.

Referred to Committee on Highways.

√ Petitions — Received petitions from,

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Nathaniel F. Babb and others, for a crossing across Broadway from the upper or westerly corner of Temple street.

James J. Delay and others, for the laying out of Joy street, 30 feet in width, from Washington street to Poplar street.

J. T. Brosnahan, that the parcels of land between Kingston street and the Cambridge Line, situated in front of the premises of the petitioner and those of Samuel F. Goodbridge, may be taken by the city and laid out as a public street in extension of Kingston street, so that the said Kingston street will extend, at a uniform width of 40 feet, to Frank street, in Cambridge.

Francisco L. Fagundes and others, for the laying out of Bak street, 30 feet in width, from the angle or bend in said street to the Cambridge Line.

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13, References concurred in.

Petition. ✓

Received a petition from Mrs. J. H. Gerlach and others, for the erection of a fence around the yard of the Cummings School, so that the children may play out of doors instead of in the cellar of the school house, which is cold and damp in the spring and prejudicial to the health of the children.

Referred to Committee on Public Property and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13. Referred to Committee on Public Property in concurrence.

Petitions ✓

Received petitions from,—

James McNeil and others, for a street light at the corner of Ivalos street and Mondamin Court.

Heirs of Maurice Terry, for an incandescent light on Lowell street.

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13. References concurred in.

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√ Summons

Received a summons to appear in the Superior Court to be holden at Boston on the first Monday of August next and answer to Harvey Giles, who brings suit, by his next friend, Frederick Giles, in an action of tort, the amount of alleged damage being two thousand dollars.

Placed in hands of City Solicitor and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13. Placed in hands of City Solicitor in concurrence.

√ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That the Committee on State Aid be, and hereby is, authorized to approve in pay-roll, from time to time, such sums as may be allowed and in favor of such persons as may be designated by the commissioners of State aid, under the authority conferred by Chapter 561 of the Acts of 1898 and under the rules, conditions and limitations which apply to applicants for aid under Chapter 301 of the Acts of 1894; the amounts so approved to be charged to "State Aid under Chapter 561, Acts of 1898" account, and to be reimbursed to the city by the Commonwealth as provided in said chapter.

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

√ Order

Alderman Tarbox offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That the licenses to sell newspapers granted by this board to George C. Shelpley, Harry B. Cook, George F. Fortin and Augustus B. Tripp, be and the same hereby are revoked; the said licensees having surrendered their licenses and badges.

Adopted.

√ Reports

The Committee on Licenses,—

on petitions of Benjamin, Benjamin Cohen and Louis Perlman, for licenses to collect junk, reported leave to withdraw;

on petitions of Wladyslaw Kaugnuski and Isaac Spector, for licenses to collect

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junk, reported an order;

✓ on the petition of Horace Fisher, for a licence to collect junk and to cry his calling in the streets, reported leave to withdraw;

✓ on the petitions of William Pelman, Boruch Rosenbaum, Samuel H. Rosenberg and Max Rosenfelt, for licenses to collect junk and to cry their calling as junk collectors in the streets, reported an order;

✓ on the petition of Benjamin Cohen, for a licence to cry his goods in the streets, reported leave to withdraw;

✓ on the petitions of Wladyslaw Drugnicki, Lisa Marks, John J. Ronan, Edward T. Ryan and Isaac Specter, for licenses to cry their goods in the streets, reported an order;

✓ on the petition of Raffaele Palangi, for a licence to ring a bell in the streets to announce his calling as a scissors charpener, reported leave to withdraw;

✓ on the petition of Fred B. Cochran, for a licence to ring a bell in the streets for the sale of ice cream, reported an order;

✓ on the petitions of Katie E. McNabb, #518 Medford street and Samuel White #83 Linwood street, for licenses as common victuallers, reported an order;

✓ on the petition of Maria and Giovanni Cocozza, for a licence to ring and to play on an accordion in the streets, reported leave to withdraw;

✓ on the petitions of the Highland Congregational Church for permission to hold open air meetings in Davis, Gilman and Union squares, reported an order;

Accepted

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows:- Orders ✓

✓ Ordered:-

That a license be issued to each of the following named persons to collect junk in this city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license, when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for each person so licensed; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

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Wladyslaw Naugmuski,
Isaac Specter.

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to each of the following-named persons to collect junk and cry his goods in the streets of this city, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license, when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for each person so licensed; such licence to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.
William Pelmann
Boruch Rosenbaum,
Samuel W. Rosenberg,
Max Rosenfelt

Ordered:-

That a licence be issued to each of the following-named persons to cry his goods in the streets of this city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such licence; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

	Name, etc.
Wladyslaw Naugmuski,-	Junk
Louis Marks,-	Fruit
John J. Ronan,-	Wood
Edward T. Ryan,-	Vegetables
Isaac Specter,-	Junk

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the following-named person to ring a bell in the streets of the city, for the sale of ice-cream, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such licence; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.
Fred B. Cochran.

Ordered:-

That a license as a Common Victualler under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to each of the following-named parties, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to

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be issued when signed by the mayor, and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party.	Place of Business.
Katie D. McNabb	518 Medford street
Samuel White	70 Somerset street

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the Highland Congregational Church of Somerville to hold open air services or services from a Gospel wagon in Davis, Gilman, and Union Squares, on the Sundays between June 30 and Sept. 15, 1895, between the hours of 4:00 and 5:30 P.M., under the provisions of law, and ordinance relating to such license; the license fee provided for by the ordinance being hereby remitted.

Adopted.

The Committee on Fire Department on the petition of Michael J. Collins and Benjamin A. Kane, for permission to erect and use two portable steam boilers on land off Edgemont street, to be used in connection with the blasting and removal of rock, reported leave to withdraw.

Report ✓

Accepted.

The Committee on Police,-

Reports ✓

on, an order of April 15, to consider the advisability of appointing all reserve officers to the regular force, and the appointment of at least eight additional reserve officers, reported that such action would be advisable if the appropriation were sufficient, but as it is not, the committee recommended no action under said order;

on the petition of A. H. Barton and others, that the boys be prevented from playing ball and foot on Broad avenue, Kidder street and Summer street, reported that the committee is informed by the Chief of Police that the matter has been attended to by the Department and as the Chief understands that the petitioners make no complaint of existing conditions, no further action is necessary;

on the petition of Chas. Peterson and others, against the flooding of Mount

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ain avenue by the Osborn Furniture Company, while washing vehicles, reported that the committee is informed by the Chief of Police that the offence complained of has been stopped, and that no further action is necessary;

on the communication from Samuel D. Cannah, in relation to damage to property by boys, in different parts of the city, including Newton and Clark streets and Park and Beacon streets, reported that the committee has requested the Chief of Police to use great diligence in protecting the property in the neighborhood referred to, and in preventing a recurrence of the offence of which complaint is made, and that in the judgment of the committee no further action is necessary.

Accepted.

Reports

The Committee on Sewers,—

on the petition of Cummings Conroy for a license as a drain-layer, reported an order;

on the petition of Francis Tufts and A. K. Kidder, for a sewer in Liberty avenue, reported an order;

Orders

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports, with an additional order offered by Alderman Lamont, are as follows:—

Ordered.—

That a license as a Drain Layer, under the provisions of the ordinances of the city, be issued to the following-named person, when he shall have furnished a bond, in the sum of one thousand dollars, with one or more sureties, satisfactory to this board; such license to expire on the first day of May, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Cummings Conroy

Adopted.

Orders for the construction of a common sewer in

Liberty avenue

and a storm water drain and sewer in

Union square, Bow street and Summer street,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 166 and 668 of volume 1 of the Records of

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the Taking of Land For the Order to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1895.

The Committee on Sewers, — Reports ✓

in pursuance of an order of even date, submitted the following list of proposals received for the construction in Liberty avenue, from the manhole in Francis avenue northerly to Powder House Terrace, of about 250 feet of 12 inch, and 370 feet of 10 inch pipe sewer, with three manholes and 300 cubic yards of rock excavation; the pipe and manhole frames and covers to be furnished by the city, —

Name of Bidder	Manhole each	Rock excavation per cubic yard	12" sewer per lin. ft.	10" sewer per lin. ft.	Estimated Aggregate
	$	$	$	$	$
Charles A. Morgan	40.00	6.00	0.44	0.45	2,209.70
Patrick Burke	27.50	4.70	0.475	0.475	1,501.35
Richard Falvey	36.00	3.05	0.55	0.50	1,362.00
M. Buttimer	37.00	3.30	0.45	0.43	1,356.10
B. R. Trumbull & Co.	35.00	3.00	0.55	0.55	1,341.50
D. B. Collins	36.00	2.95	0.45	0.41	1,370.70
T. H. Bryne	35.00	3.00	0.40	0.40	1,365.00
H. F. Cunningham	31.00	2.75	0.43	0.43	1,197.50
Daniel A. Gorey	30.00	2.45	0.47	0.47	1,130.50

and presented an order, —

in pursuance of an order dated June 22nd, submitted the following list of proposals received to construct in Day street from the Tannery Brook Storm Drain in Davis square, southwesterly about 25 feet of 20 inch and 295 feet of 12 inch pipe storm drain, with one manhole, the pipe and manhole frames and covers to be furnished by the city, —

Name of Bidder	Manhole	20" drain per lin. ft.	12" drain per lin. ft.	Estimated Aggregate
	$	$	$	$
Richard Falvey	50.50	1.20	1.10	405.00
Charles A. Morgan	35.00	0.90	0.90	323.00
Maurice Buttimer	40.00	1.20	0.85	320.75

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T. H. Bryne	$ 35.00	$ 0.80	$ 0.80	$ 291.00
Daniel A. Dorey	40.00	0.95	0.75	285.00
W. F. Cunningham	35.00	1.20	0.65	256.75
C. E. Trumbull & Co.	28.00	0.75	0.65	238.50

and presented an order

in pursuance of an order dated June 8th, submitted the following list of proposals received to construct in Windsor Road, from the manhole in Willow avenue to near Gordonia Road, about 300 feet of 10-inch and 240 feet of 8-inch pipe sewer, with 2 manholes, the pipe and manhole frames and covers to be furnished by the city.—

Name of bidder	Manholes each	10" sewer per lin. ft.	8" sewer per lin. ft.	Estimated Aggregate
Richard Falvey	$ 40.00	$ 0.65	$ 0.65	$ 431.00
T. H. Bryne	35.00	0.60	0.55	382.00
D. C. Collins	35.00	0.63	0.50	379.00
Patrick Burke	28.00	0.61	0.565	374.60
Charles A. Morgan	38.01	0.50	0.45	334.02
C. E. Trumbull & Co.	28.00	0.51	0.51	331.40
M. Buttimer	37.00	0.50	0.40	320.00
Daniel A. Dorey	30.00	0.47	0.43	304.20
W. F. Cunningham	30.00	0.44	0.44	297.60

and presented an order

in pursuance of orders dated June 22nd, submitted the following list of proposals received to construct in Woodstock street, Private Lands and a Proposed street, about 850 feet of 12-inch pipe sewer and 8-inch underdrain, and in Waterhouse street 790 feet, in Victoria street 850 feet, in Garrison avenue, 830 feet, in Farragut avenue 960 feet and in Endicott avenue 370 feet of 8-inch pipe sewer and 6-inch underdrain, the pipe and manhole frames and covers to be furnished by the city.—

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Name of Bidder	Manholes each	Rock excavation per cu. yd.	12" sewer in Wooden Sts. etc. per lin. ft.	8" sewer in Waterhouse St. per lin. ft.	8" sewer in Cistrine St. per lin. ft.	8" sewer in Kansas St. per lin. ft.	8" sewer in Farragut Ave. per lin. ft.	8" sewer in Gardiner Ave. per lin. ft.	8" underdrain in Woodstock St. etc. per lin. ft.	6" underdrain in 5' lateral Waite per lin. ft.	Estimated Aggregate
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
D. C. Collins	45.00	3.50	0.85	0.73	0.73	0.73	0.67	0.71	0.53	0.40	6112.00
Richard Falvey	34.50	3.00	0.70	0.60	0.50	0.55	0.65	0.40	0.12	0.12	3828.00
Patrick Burke	28.00	2.80	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.47½	0.47½	0.52	0.22½	0.22½	3781.90
T. H. Bryne	34.00	3.00	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.15	0.15	3562.50
Maurice Buttimer	45.00	3.00	0.60	0.50	0.40	0.40	0.38	0.45	0.15	0.10	3320.80
Daniel A. Dorey	30.00	4.50	0.67	0.43	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.53	0.10	0.05	3116.10
C. E. Trumbull & Co.	25.00	5.00	0.52	0.40	0.43	0.43	0.43	0.43	0.05	0.05	2709.80
H. F. Cunningham	28.00	5.00	0.40	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.20	0.15	2690.00

and presented an order.

Accepted.

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows:- Orders ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Sewers be, and they hereby are, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with Daniel A. Dorey, for the construction of a common sewer in Liberty avenue, from the manhole at Francesca avenue northeasterly to Powder House Terrace, at the prices named in his proposal submitted in said committee's report this evening.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Sewers be, and they hereby are, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with C. E. Trumbull & Co., for the construction of a Storm Water Drain in Day street, beginning at the Tannery Brook Storm Drain in Davis square and extending southwesterly in Day street about 350 feet, at the prices named in their proposal submitted in said committee's report this evening.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Sewers be, and they hereby are, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with H. F. Cunningham for the construction of a common sewer in Windsor Road, from the manhole in Willow avenue southeasterly to near Gordonia Road, at the prices named in his proposal sub-

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mitted in said committee's report this evening.

Ordered -

That the Committee on Sewers be, and they hereby are, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with H. F. Cunningham for the construction of common sewers in Woodstock street, Private Lands, and Proposed Street - Waterhouse street - Victoria street - Garrison avenue - Farragut avenue - and Lindsitt avenue, at the prices named in his proposal submitted in said committee's report this evening.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1895

✓ Report.

The Committee on Highways reported that in pursuance of orders dated, respectively, April 20, April 27 and May 15, sidewalks have been constructed as follows: - in

✓ Campbell Park, both sides from Monahan to Kingston street, gravel with edgestones;

✓ Clarence street, westerly side from Holland to Reed street, gravel with edgestones;

✓ Concord avenue, westerly side from the O. J. Knapp Schoolhouse to Dawn street, bricks;

✓ Essex street, westerly side from Bedford street to Birkdale avenue, bricks;

✓ Gibson street, southwesterly side from Aldrich street to Walnut street, bricks;

✓ Monmouth street, southwesterly side from Central street to the northwesterly line of the estate of Almira Hetherbe, granolithic with edgestone of the same;

✓ Robinson street, northeasterly side from Central to Bartlett street, brick; and

✓ Summer street, southwesterly side from Georgia street to a point about 55 feet southeast of Cedar street, brick with edgestone;

and presented lists of assessments.

Accepted.

✓ Assessments

The lists of assessments accompanying the foregoing report, with warrants and orders for their collection, for sidewalks in

Campbell Park,

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Concord avenue,
Essex street,
Gilman street,
Monmouth street,
Robinson street,
and
Summer street,

are recorded, respectively, on pages 157 to 160 - 161 to 164 - 165 to 168 - 169 to 172 - 173 to 176 - 177 to 180 - 181 to 184 - and 185 to 188, inclusive, of volume 3 of the Records of Sidewalk Assessments of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, were

Adopted.

Alderman Lapham offered orders for the construction of side walks on — Orders ✓

Cutter avenue,
Acme street,
Browning Road, northerly side,
Browning Road, southerly side,
Albion street, northwesterly side,
Albion street, southeasterly side,
Mines street,
Robinson street,
and
Boston street,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 9, 21, 24, 27, 30, 33, 36, 42 and 45 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.
Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

The Committee on Highways, on the petition of Edward F. Stone and others, for a brick sidewalk on Wellington avenue, reported, an order. — Report ✓

Accepted.

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√ Orders

The order accompanying the foregoing report and four additional orders offered by Alderman Lapham, for the construction of sidewalks in

Medford street,
School street,
Thurston street,
Webster avenue,
and
Wellington avenue,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 93, 96, 99, 102, 105 and 108 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, were

Read twice and adopted.

Presented to the Mayor, July 14. Orders for construction of sidewalks in Webster Ave., Thurston St. and Wellington Ave. approved by the Mayor, July 20. (See record of July 20 in relation to remaining two orders.)

√ Reports

The Committee on Highways, on petitions for sidewalks, from

John Herbert and others, easterly side of Medford and Pearl streets, between School street and the Masonic building, brick;

Dudley L. Stevens and others, both sides of Francesca avenue, brick;

Aaron Sargent and James M. Burckes, easterly side of Sargent avenue, brick;

S. A. Davis and others, Sargent avenue, brick;

Albert Fogg, northerly side of Concord avenue between Marion and Hyatt streets, brick with edgestones;

Quincy G. Hall and others, southerly side of Concord avenue from Springfield to Leon street, edgestones;

T. C. Connor and others, westerly side of Russell street, from Orchard street to the Cambridge Line, gravel with edgestones;

P. Morton Mocklar and others, southeasterly side of Hancock street, edgestones;

A. B. Hubbard and others, both sides of Banks street from Elm to Summer street, edgestones;

F. L. Skillin and others, easterly side of Burnside avenue, gravel with edgestones;

Edward B. Ladd and others, both sides of Tennyson street from Forster to Medford street, brick;

with remonstrance of Charles Hazen Brown against a brick sidewalk on

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Tennyson street;

William Graham and others, northerly side of Bonner avenue from Homer square around the corner of Columbia avenue, brick;

James M Robinson and others both sides of Hudson street from Central street to Lowell street, brick;

reported orders of notice of hearings.

Accepted.

The orders of notice accompanying the foregoing report, with three additional orders of notice offered by Alderman Lapham, of hearings on the construction of sidewalks in — Orders of Notice ✓

Banks street,
Bonner avenue,
Burnside avenue,
Columbia avenue,
Concord avenue, northerly side,
Concord avenue, southerly side,
Francis avenue,
Hancock street,
Highland avenue,
Hudson street,
Medford and Pearl streets,
Miner street,
Russell street,
Sargent avenue,
Tennyson street,

are recorded, respectively, on pages 43, 46, 49, 52, 55, 58, 61, 64, 67, 70, 73, 76, 79, 82 and 85, of volume 4, of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1895.

Alderman Lapham offered the following orders, — Orders ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to construct a brick sidewalk in front of the estate of H A

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Emerson, situated on the southwesterly side of Elliston street, said Emerson to furnish the bricks satisfactory to this committee and the Superintendent of Streets, the expense incurred in constructing the sidewalk by the city to be charged to the Appropriation for Sidewalks.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to construct a brick sidewalk on the westerly side of Higginsworth street in front of the estate of Sarah L. Spear, she to furnish the bricks satisfactory to the Superintendent of Streets, the expense incurred for labor and other materials to be charged to Sidewalks account.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1895.

√ Reports

The Committee on Highways,-

on the petition of Walter L. Holmes for the removal of the middle tree standing in front of his premises # 316 Beacon street, reported on order of notice.

Accepted.

√ on the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad, for permission to attach a telephone wire to the electric light pole near the old clay barn ground, across Washington street to # 9 Florence street, reported leave to withdraw as the electric light company is unwilling to allow the Railroad Company to attach the wire to said pole.

√ on the petition of John J. Spadbury, for permission to set a hitching post in front of the premises # 52 Adams street, reported on order.

Accepted.

√ Orders

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows:

Whereas, in the opinion of this Board, the public convenience and necessity require the removal of the tree hereinafter mentioned, to wit:-

the middle tree of three trees standing in front of the estate of Walter L. Holmes No. 316 Beacon street,

it is hereby Ordered, that public notice be given by the City Clerk, by causing an attested copy of this order to be published in one issue of the Somerville

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Journal, a newspaper published in said city, and by causing a similar copy to be posted upon the tree before mentioned, that this Board intends to remove the said tree, and that Wednesday, the 20th day of July 1898, at 8 o'clock P.M., and the Mayor and Aldermen's room in the City Hall are assigned as the time and place for the hearing, by this Board, of any objections which may be made thereto.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

Ordered:-

That permission be and hereby is granted to John J. Bradbury to set a hitching-post in front of the estate No. 52 Adams street.

Adopted.

The Committee on Highways.- Reports ✓

on the petition of Belle A. Williston and Selwyn J. Bowman "Trustee" that the sidewalk grade on the northerly side of Monmouth street, and at its intersection with Central street, may be established as shown on plan made by Charles D. Elliot, Civil Engineer, and submitted with the petition, reported an order;

on the petition of G. Alton Bisbee, for the raising of the grade of the curb-stone on the northeasterly side of Montrose street at and near Sycamore street, and an order dated May 25th, 1898, changing the grade of the curb-stone on the northeasterly side of Montrose street in front of the estates of G. Alton Bisbee, John Marshall and Hattie B. Davis and directing the committee on Highways to perform whatever work may be necessary to adapt the street to such change of grade, reported that the directions of said order had been complied with;

on the petition of Israel P. Rice, for a driveway on Linden avenue at the entrance of Linden Circle, reported an order;

on the petition of Henry L. Graustein for a driveway in front of his estate, No. 98½ Prospect street, reported an order;

on orders dated, respectively, April 27 and May 11 & 18, to construct

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and repair sidewalks and change the location of a driveway as follows:- for Augusta M. Stilphen, construct a brick sidewalk at 31 Lincoln avenue,
Charles A. Kenneson, construct sidewalk at 266, 268 and 270 Broadway,
William P. Mitchell, change location of driveway at #30 Preston street,
Charles H. Crane and N. J. Davis, construct sidewalks Bradley street, and
J. and M. Beaudet, repair and construct sidewalks Cross street and Chester avenue,
reported that the work had been performed as authorized by said order;

on petitions for street crossings from,
Silas L. Cummings and others, crossing Highland avenue at its junction with Irving and Thorndike street,
American Express Company and others, on School street, continuous with the westerly sidewalk of Richdale avenue,
Hattie M. Hurlburt and others, crossing Medford street at the westerly side of Bartlett street,
reported that the crossings have been constructed as prayed for;

on the petition of G. H. Hills for the removal of obstructions in Hillside Park near his premises, reported leave to withdraw;

on the petition of J. Frank Myer and others, that the road-bed of Central street from Medford street to Hudson street be repaired and the sidewalks on Central street from Medford street to the Railroad Bridge be relaid, reported that the sidewalks have been repaired and the street put in good condition

on an order dated March 9th, to make a contract with S. A. and R. G. Lombard, for the furnishing of such quantities of edgestones and paving blocks as may be required during the year, reported that a contract has been made as authorized by said order;

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13. Accepted in concurrence.

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Orders ✓

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports, with one additional order offered by Alderman Lapham, are as follows, -

Ordered: -

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to solicit proposals for the furnishing of paving blocks, for the paving of Webster avenue, from the Cambridge Line to the Fitchburg Railroad; - also to solicit proposals for the furnishing of the labor; the bids to be based on a gravel and concrete foundation; and to submit said proposals, when received, to this board.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

Ordered: -

That the grade of Monmouth street, (formerly called York Terrace), at, and near its intersection with Central street, be, and it hereby is changed, and established to conform to green lines on plan entitled "York Terrace, For Acceptance", made by Charles D. Elliot, Engineer, dated August 1898, with Grade Lines in green added by Ernest W. Bailey, City Engineer, July 13, 1898, and on file in the city engineer's office; and the committee on highways is hereby instructed to perform excavation work may be necessary to adapt, to such change of grade, that portion of said Monmouth street which may be affected thereby, the expense incurred to be charged to Highways account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

Ordered: -

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to construct a driveway in front of the estate of Lionel C. Rice, on Linden avenue at the entrance of Linden Circle, when he shall have first made a deposit with the City Treasurer in a sum of money, sufficient to cover the estimated cost of said driveway.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

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Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to construct a driveway in front of the estate of Henry L. Grausstein, No. 98½ Prospect street, when he shall have first made a deposit with the City Treasurer, in a sum of money sufficient to cover the estimated cost of constructing said driveway.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

√ Resolves and Orders

Resolves and orders for the laying out of Norton street and Winslow avenue, as recorded respectively, on pages 44 to 48 and 52 to 56, inclusive, of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, were

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

(The foregoing action in reference to Winslow avenue was premature, as the date for a hearing on the laying out, named in the order of notice, was July 27, see records of that date.)

√ Report

The Committee on Highways, on the petition of G. C. and A. F. Metzer and others, for the laying out of Ashland street from Summer street to Sartwell avenue, presented a favorable report, as recorded on page 57 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order of Notice

Accompanying the foregoing report was an order of notice of a hearing on the laying out of Ashland street as recorded on page 58 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

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Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13. Read twice, and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

The Committee on City Engineering, to which was referred an order dated July 15, that from July 1, 1898, the sum of one hundred fifty dollars be appropriated from Miscellaneous account for the maintenance of the City Engineer's team, reported an order. Report ✓

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13, Accepted in concurrence.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That from July 1st, 1898, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated for the maintenance of the City Engineer's team, the expense incurred under said order to be charged to Engineering Department account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

Aldermen Cummings offered the following order,- Order ✓

Ordered.-

That the Committee on Public Property be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to expend a sum of money not exceeding six thousand dollars for the finishing, furniture and fixtures for the Martin St. G. ar Schoolhouse, the expense so incurred to be charged to Schoolhouse, Spring Hill district account.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to provide additional school accommodations at the English High School, at a cost, not to exceed one thousand dollars, the expense so incurred to be charged to Schoolhouse English High account.

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Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be, and it hereby is, authorized to procure plans and specifications for changes in the heating and ventilating apparatus at the Prescott schoolhouse; the expense so incurred to be charged to Schoolhouse, Prescott, Heating and Ventilating account.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be, and it hereby is, authorized to purchase the lot of land on the northerly side of Washington street, near Dane street and known as the Flagg estate, at a cost not to exceed twenty cents per square foot, also to procure plans and specifications for the erection of a six room brick schoolhouse, to be located on said lot; the expense so incurred to be charged to Schoolhouse Ward Two account.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to purchase the Love Russell estate, situated on Broadway and North street, containing 435,600 square feet of land, more or less, with the buildings thereon, for the sum of eighteen thousand dollars, the city to assume the taxes for 1898, the expense so incurred together with the taxes, to be charged to Support of Poor, Almshouse, account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council July 13. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor July 14, 1898.

Order

Alderman Cummings offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be, and it hereby is, authorized to procure plans and specifications for the erection of an armory to be located on the City's land at the corner of Glen and Oliver street; the amount so expended to be charged to Armory account.

Read twice and laid upon the table.

Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be, and it hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of re-grading and re-sodding

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such portion of the ground in front of the Police Building as is now in an unsightly condition, and also of constructing a concrete driveway at the side of said building, leading to the stable.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

Alderman Ball offered the following orders.— Orders ✓

Ordered.—

That the Committee on Public Grounds be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to expend a sum of money not exceeding Five thousand dollars, to provide in part for the cost of laying out Lincoln Park, the amount so expended under said order to be charged to Lincoln Park account.

Ordered.—

That, under the provisions of Chapter 255 of the Acts of the General Court in the year 1898, authorizing the city to acquire certain land for a public park and the assessment of betterments, the Committee on Public Grounds be, and hereby is, authorized to purchase a certain parcel of land, exclusive of buildings, situated on the southwesterly side of Monroe street in this city, between land now or formerly of Charles H. Arth and land now or formerly of Lydia E. Hutchins, comprising the lots numbered respectively 24 to 30, both inclusive, on plan entitled "Plan of Lots on Prospect Hill, Somerville," made by Geo. A. Kimball, Civil Engineer, dated July 19, 1893, and recorded with Middlesex (South District) Deeds, at the end of Book 2220, said parcel of land containing, according to said plan, 57624 square feet, more or less; the buildings on said land to be removed within such period of time as shall be arranged between said committee and the owner of the land: and the said committee is hereby authorized to cause to be paid for said parcel of land the sum of twenty thousand dollars, to be charged to Prospect Hill Park account, and also the amount of the taxes thereon for the present year, the same to be charged to Public Grounds account, and to accept and receive such deed or deeds of said premises to the city, as shall be satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and to cause the consideration herein named to be paid therefor on receipt of said deed or

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or deeds

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13, Read twice and adopted in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

√ Order

Alderman Ball offered the following order:-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Grounds be, and it hereby is, authorized to rent the old Lincoln school-lot on Elm street to the Riverside-st. Tennis Club to December 1, 1898, for the sum of twenty-five dollars, the amount so received to be credited to Public Grounds account.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13. Laid on the table.

√ Report

The Committee on Fire Department, on an order dated February 9th, to purchase for the apparatus known as Chemical A, a set of roller-bearing wheels and axles, reported that such purchase had been made of the Archibald Wheel Company for the sum of one hundred and eighty-five dollars.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 13, Accepted in concurrence.

√ Orders

Alderman Huntley offered the following orders:-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Fire Department be, and hereby is, authorized to purchase three horses for the use of the department, and to dispose of two horses now in service, the amount expended by the purchasing of the horses to be charged to Fire Department account, and the amount received from the disposal of the horses to be credited to said account.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Fire Department be, and it hereby is, authorized to procure plans and specifications for a two-door fire station to be erected on the city's land at the corner of Holland and Newbury streets; the amount so expended to be charged to Fire Department, Fire Station, Clarendon Hill account.

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Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, July 13. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

Alderman Ball offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Electric Lines be, and hereby is, authorized to expend a sum of money not exceeding Fifteen hundred dollars, for the purchasing of Fire Alarm, and Police Patrol Boxes, the amount so expended to be charged to Electrical Department, Fire Alarm and Police Patrol Boxes account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, July 13. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

Alderman Dopkin offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights be, and it hereby is, authorized to change the arc lights now located at the corner of Bond and Jaques street to a location at the westerly corner of Sycamore street and Broadway; the expense so incurred to be charged to Street Lights account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, July 13. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 14, 1898.

The joint special committee appointed under an order dated July 15th, to hire a band to play on Central Hill during the day and evening of July 4th, reported that a band was employed as authorized at an expense of one hundred dollars. Report ✓

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, July 13. Accepted in concurrence.

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Adjourned.

Attest,

George S. Vincent

Clerk.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Somerville, July 20, 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont and Ball present.

Records approved.

In pursuance of an order approved approved July 14th, a hearing was given for all persons desiring to object to the removal of the middle one of three trees, standing in front of the state of Walter L. Holmes, #316 Beacon street; due notice of the hearing having been given as required by said order. — Hearing ✓

No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

Received from the Common Council the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Ordinances be, and hereby is, requested to frame a draft of an ordinance, that hereafter when excavations are made in the public streets of this city, the surplus earth shall be at the disposal of the Committee on Highways, when so desired, and that in all cases where macadam is excavated, it shall be the property of the Committee on Highways, and in excavating, the contractor or the city department, doing the work, shall keep the macadam separate from all other surplus materials.

(signed) Orice A. Gracey

In Common Council, July 13. Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen July 20. Adoption lost.

Received the report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for the month of June. — Report ✓

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, July 21. Read for information.

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√ Petition

Received a petition, - signed by the mother of the proposed licensee, - that a license to sell newspapers be granted to Edward S. McGregor, aged 13 years,
approved by the Chief of Police.
License granted.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from, -
Bernard Graustein for a license to keep a wholesale junk store in the rear of #64 Webster avenue;
Benjamin Cohen for a license to cry his calling as a junk collector in the streets
Carmine Forcello and Francesco De Piano, for a license to play a hand-organ in the streets.
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

√ Petition

Received a petition from Alonzo J. Bardwell, for permission to build and maintain the cornice of a one-story block of two stores to be erected at 36 and 38 Summer street, said cornice to project over the sidewalk 18 inches.

and

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

√ Order of Notice

Accompanying the foregoing petition was the following order of notice, -

Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered that notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday, the 27th day of July, 1898, at 8 o'clock P.M., at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, at which time any parties, who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Somerville Journal of the 22nd inst.
Adopted.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from, -
H. L. Crane and others and Charles P. Lincoln and others, for the granting of the petition of the Boston Elevated Railway Company (?) for locations for turnouts and a single track in Summer street, provided the terminus of said track shall not be less than 105 feet from Central street.

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Caroline H. Inwood Richardson for edgestones on Higglesworth street in front of her premises.

Referred to Committee on Highways

Received petitions from,— Petitions ✓

James B. David and Samuel McKeever, for a Welsbach light at the corner of Belmont street and Spring Hill Terrace.

E. H. Bolton, for a light on Crescent street nearly opposite the house of Police Officer Johnson;

James Hepburn and others, for an electric light on the westerly side of Merriam street, about midway between Somerville avenue and Charlestown street;

S. H. Libby, agent, for lights in Princeton and Alpine streets;

Austin S. Coty and others, for a street light at the corner of School street and Maple avenue;

Boston Hair and Bristle Company and others, for an electric light on the southerly side of Water street, between South street and Glasshouse Court;

C. D. Giles and others, for a Welsbach light at the corner of Webster and Glen streets;

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council July 21. References concurred in.

The Committee on Licenses, on petitions for licenses from,— Reports ✓

C. Edgar Kenioton, as a common victualler at #27 A. Park street.

Ciro A. Scigliano, as a common victualler, at #8 South street.

William J. Casey, to collect junk;

John Bradhurst, Daniel F. Quigley, John Reardon and Reuben Winthrop, to cry their goods in the streets;

reported orders

Accepted.

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows: Orders ✓

Ordered:—

That a license as a Common Victualler, under the laws

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of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to the following-named parties, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
C. Edgar Kenston	No. 27 A Park street
Ciro A. Scigliano	No. 8 South street

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the following named person to collect junk in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license, when the city clerk shall have received for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for each person so licensed; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

William J. Casey — 80 Webster Ave., Somerville.

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the following-named persons to cry goods in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

John Bradhurst,	No. 84 Elm St.,	fruit and vegetables.
John Reardon,	No. 81 Linwood St.,	fish, fruit and vegetables.
Daniel F. Quigley,	No. 99 Som. Ave.,	produce, and
Reuben Winthrop,	No. 9 Arthur Court,	fish, fruit and vegetables.

Adopted.

✓ Reports

The Committee on Licenses, on petitions for licenses from,-

Peter Predaris, to cry his goods in the streets,

James Martopulos, to cry his goods in the streets,

Solomon Kamenash, to collect junk and cry his calling in the streets,

Giacomo Dinai and another, for a license to play a hand-organ in the streets, reported leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

✓ Report

The Committee on Sewers, in pursuance of an order dated July 18,

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submitted the following list of proposals received to construct a storm water-drain and sewer in Union square, Bow and Summer streets, from the sewer built in 1875 on the southwesterly side of Union square to School street, proposals being compared on the basis of the estimated quantities of work to be done, as made by the City Engineer, which is as follows:—

Name of Bidder	(a) Excavation for 5'-0" sewer per lin. ft.	(aa) Excavation for 4'-3" sewer per lin. ft.	(aaa) Excavation for 3'-4" sewer per lin. ft.	(b) Rock excavation per cu. yd.
	$	$	$	$
H. F. Cunningham	3.00	2.00	1.50	3.50
Timothy J. Crimmings	4.10	2.50	1.75	2.75
T. H. Bryne	3.45	1.80	1.25	3.00
Richard Falvey	3.35	2.30	2.00	3.25
C. E. Trumbull & Co.	3.22	3.22	3.22	3.20

(c) Underdrain per lin. ft.	(d) Portland cement concrete per cu. yd.	(e) Rosendale cement concrete per cu. yd.	(f) Portland brick masonry per cu. yd.	(g) Rosendale brick masonry per cu. yd.	Estimated Aggregate
$	$	$	$	$	$
0.15	6.50	5.00	14.00	11.90	17,225.50
0.15	5.75	4.50	13.00	11.35	17,049.00
0.20	6.50	5.25	14.00	12.00	16,757.00
0.15	5.50	4.50	12.50	10.25	16,259.00
0.20	4.34	3.00	9.32	8.09	15,950.40

(a) 160 lin. ft. of earth excavation and refilling above grade, in trench for 5'-0" sewer.

(aa) 1320 lin. ft. of earth excavation and refilling above grade, in trench for 4'-3" sewer.

(aaa) 590 lin. ft. of earth excavation and refilling above grade, in trench for 3'-4" sewer.

(b) 250 cu. yds. rock excavation in trench.

(c) 2070 lin. ft. of 4-inch to 10-inch underdrain.

(d) 650 cu. yds. Portland cement concrete, mixed 6, 3 and 1.

(e) 50 cu. yds. Rosendale cement concrete, mixed 5, 2 and 1.

(f) 300 cu. yds. brick masonry, Portland cement mortar.

(g) 400 cu. yds. brick masonry, Rosendale cement mortar.

and the committee presented an order.

Accepted.

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✓ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Sewers be, and they hereby are, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with B.B. Trundell and Company, for the construction of a storm water drain and sewer in Union square, Pew street and Summer street, at the prices named in their proposal, submitted in said committee's report this date.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, July 22, 1895.

✓ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,-

Whereas, in the opinion of this Board, the public convenience and necessity require the removal of the tree hereinafter mentioned, public notice having been given, and hearing thereon having been had, according to law, it is therefore hereby

Ordered, that the superintendent of streets be, and he hereby is, directed to cut down and remove the said tree, to wit,-

the middle tree of three trees standing in front of the estate of Walter L. Holmes #316 Broadway street.

Read twice and adopted.

Presented to the Mayor, July 21, 1895, and approved by him July 27.

✓ Reports

The Committee on Highways,-

on the petitions of the Somerville Electric Light Company for permission to erect and maintain poles on Sycamore street and Broadway, reported an order;-

on the petition of O.B. Hubbard for permission to set a hitching-post in the sidewalk in front of his house No. 97 Highland avenue, reported an order;-

Accepted.

✓ Orders

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows,-

Approved July 25, 1895

Order granting locations to the Somerville Electric Light Company in Broadway and Sycamore street, as recorded on page 137 of volume 1 of the Records of Orders, Street Railways and Moving Buildings, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

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Ordered:-

That permission be, and it hereby is, granted to O. C. Hubbard to set a hitching post in the sidewalk in front of his house #97 Highland avenue, under the supervision of the Superintendent of Streets; such permission being subject to revocation at any time by the Board of Aldermen.

Adopted.

Aldermen Lapham offered an order granting locations to the West End Street Railway Company, for a double track in Bow street, and a single track, with turnouts, in Summer street from Union square to a point 105 feet southwesterly from Central street with conditions, in addition to those usually imposed, that the entire street, from curb to curb, in Summer street throughout the entire length of the turnout, shall be paved and that the portions of the street not paved, shall be left in good condition.

Laid on the table.

Order ✓

The Committee on Highways, reported that in pursuance of orders dated, respectively, April 20 and May 18, sidewalks have been constructed as follows:-

in Albion street, southwesterly side, from Central to Lowell, gravel with edgestones;

in Hudson street, northeasterly side, from Central to Lowell, brick;

in Montrose street, northeasterly side, from School to Sycamore, brick;

and submitted lists of assessments for one-half the cost.

Accepted.

Report ✓

The lists of assessments accompanying the foregoing report, with warrants and orders for their collection, for sidewalks in

Albion street,

Hudson street,

and

Montrose street

are recorded, respectively, on pages 189 to 192, 193 to 196 and 197 to 200, inclusive, of volume 3 of the Records of Sidewalk Assessments, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

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Adopted

√ Report

The Committee on Highways, on the petition of George H. Toole for a gravel sidewalk, with edgestones, on the southeasterly side of Higgleworth street in front of his premises situated on the southeasterly corner of Higgleworth and Otis streets, reported an order.

Accepted

√ Orders

The order accompanying the foregoing report, and an additional order offered by Alderman Lapham, are as follows:-

Orders for the construction of sidewalks in

Morrison street

and

Higgleworth street

as recorded respectively, on pages 39 and 90 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks, - Hearings & Construction, - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, July 22, 1898.

√ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That His Honor the Mayor be, and hereby is, requested to return to this board for further consideration the orders passed July 13th, for the construction of sidewalks in Medford street and School street.

Adopted

√ Orders

As requested by the foregoing order, his Honor the Mayor returned to the board, for further consideration, the orders passed July 13th for the construction of sidewalks in

Medford street

and

School street

as recorded respectively, on pages 45 and 51 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks, - Hearings and Construction, - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

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Adoption of orders reconsidered and lost.

The Committee on Highways, in pursuance of an order, dated July 15th, submitted the following list of proposals received to furnish paving blocks for the paving of Webster avenue, from the Cambridge Line to the Fitchburg Railroad. — Report ✓

Rockport Granite Company,	$50.00 per thousand
Pigeon Hill Granite Company,	47.00 per thousand
Barnes Roofing Company,	44.95 per thousand
Jno. A. J. Lombard,	40.00 per thousand

and presented an order.

Accepted. Later in the evening acceptance reconsidered and report recommitted to Committee on Highways.

The order presented with the foregoing report authorized the Committee on Highways to make a contract with Jno. A. J. Lombard, for the furnishing of paving blocks at $40.00 per thousand for the paving of Webster avenue, from the Cambridge Line to the Fitchburg Railroad. — Order ✓

Read twice and adopted. Later in the evening adoption reconsidered, and lost.

Alderman Bell offered the following order:— — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Public Property be, and it hereby is, authorized to lay new floors and make general necessary repairs at the Forster School Building, at an expense of not exceeding twenty-two hundred ($2,200) dollars; the expense so incurred to be charged to Schoolhouse Incidentals account.

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 21. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 22, 1895.

The Committee on Public Property, in pursuance of an order dated July 15, submitted plans and specifications prepared by A. A. Sparrow for improved heating and ventilating apparatus for the Prescott School. — Report ✓

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house, and presented an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 21, Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Order. The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,-

Ordered:-

That the plans and specifications prepared by A. A. Sanborn and submitted by the Committee on Public Property this evening, for improved heating and ventilating apparatus at the Prescott schoolhouse, beyond the same hereby are adopted and the Superintendent of Public Buildings is hereby authorized and instructed to solicit proposals for the furnishing of improved heating and ventilating apparatus in accordance with the said plans and specifications adopted herewith; such proposals, when received, to be submitted to the City Council.

(signed) L. Hubert Huntley

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 21, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 22, 1898.

Adjourned.

Attest,

George S. Vincent

Clerk.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville, July 27, 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.

Records approved.

In pursuance of an order passed July 20, a hearing was given for all persons desiring to object to the granting of the petition of Alonzo J. Bardwell for permission to project, 18 inches over the sidewalk, the cornice of a one-story block of two stores to be erected at Nos. 36 and 38 Summer street, due notice of the hearing having been published as required by said order. — Hearing ✓

No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard the hearing was closed.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That a message be sent to the common council requesting a convention of the two branches of the city council in the Common Council Chamber this evening, for the purpose of hearing all persons desiring to object to the laying out of Winslow avenue; an order of notice of such hearing having been approved June 23d, 1898.

Adopted, and Alderman Lapham appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council.

In Common Council, July 27, 1898. Request granted and Councilman Kinal appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.

In Convention of the City Council. — Convention

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball, President Wilson and Councilmen Smith, Cush-

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man, Grimmons, Thomson, Burns, Burrows, Gracey, Perry, Lord, Kinsl and Foster present.

√ Hearing

In pursuance of orders passed July 23rd, and this evening, a hearing was given for all persons desiring to object to the laying out of Winslow avenue, due notice of such hearing having been given as appears by the officer's return recorded on page 51 of volume 3, of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

No persons interested, appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

Convention dissolved

The purpose for which it was assembled having been accomplished, the convention was dissolved and the mayor and aldermen returned to their chamber.

Board of Aldermen

In Board of Aldermen

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.

√ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order,-

Ordered,-

That the Highway Committee be and hereby are requested to brick the spaces on the sidewalks that are not already bricked on the southerly side of Highland avenue between Walnut and Central streets.

(signed) A. P. Kinsl

In Common Council, July 21. Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, July 27. Referred to Committee on Highways.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from,-

Benjamin Cohen, for a license to collect junk.

Charlotte A. Brook, for a license as a common victualler at $80

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Broadway.
Referred to Committee on Licenses

Received a communication from James D. Shaw and others, complaining that one Benjamin Johns goes around early in the morning between six and seven o'clock, making considerable noise and disturbing the peace of the community, trying to collect junk, for which he has no license, and praying that such action be taken as will stop such proceedings. — Communication ✓

Referred to Committee on Police.

Received a petition from Geo. L. Elliot for a license to keep eight horses in a stable to be erected by Franklin O. Reed on his land situated on the northwesterly side of Winfield avenue distant 50 feet northeasterly from Mystic avenue. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

Received a petition from Howard Lovell and others that three Welsbach lights be located on Gilman street between Aldrich street and Grove street, and one between Nos. 71 and 73 Gilman street, and that the incandescent light at No. 27 Gilman street be removed. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 27. Reference concurred in.

Received a notice from Joseph le Jeune, residing on Porter Road, North Cambridge, of a claim for compensation from the City, for injuries received at about one o'clock in the morning of June 25th, 1898, while driving a pair of horses harnessed to a hack, on Broadway near the second telegraph post from the junction of North street with Broadway and a short distance from the Averill House, and on the same side of the street as said house, the cause of the injury being the horses coming upon a large quantity of dirt, stone and gravel in the travelled part of said Broadway, thereby throwing him from the driver's seat of the hack and injuring him on the head and side. (Received by the City Clerk July 26th.) — Notice ✓

Referred to Committee on Claims, and down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, July 27 Aeferme concurred in.

√ Reports

The Committee on Special Building Permits,-

on the petition of Alonzo J. Bardwell, for permission to build and maintain a cornice of a one-story block of two stores at nos. 36 and 38 Summer street, said cornice to project 18 inches over the sidewalk, reported an order;

on the petition of George L. Elliot, for a license to keep 8 horses in a stable to be erected on the southeasterly side of Kensington avenue, 82 feet northeasterly from Mystic avenue, reported leave to withdraw;

on the petition of George L. Elliot, for a license to keep 8 horses in a stable to be erected by Franklin O. Reed on his land situated on the northwesterly side of Garfield avenue, distant 82 feet northeasterly from Mystic avenue, reported an order.

Accepted.

√ Orders

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows:-

Ordered:-

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to Alonzo J. Bardwell, to maintain projections over sidewalks as follows:- at Nos. 36 and 38 Summer street, the cornice of a one-story block of two stores: said cornice to project over the sidewalk eighteen inches.

Ordered:-

That a License be, and hereby is granted to George L. Elliot to keep eight horses in a stable owned by Franklin O. Reed, to be erected on the northwesterly side of Garfield avenue, distant 82 feet northeasterly from Mystic avenue, in this city, the said license being revocable at the pleasure of this board.

Adopted.

√ Reports

The Committee on Highways,-

on the petition of Charles H. Amsdell and others, for gravel sidewalks with edgestones on both sides of Boston street, from Glen street to Kensington street, reported an order of notice;

on the petition of O. H. Desmond and C. A. Small, for a complete sidewalk

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on the westerly side of School street, from Montrose street to Medford street, reported an order of notice;
on the petition of Caroline G. Inwood Richardson, for edgestones in front of her estate on Higgleworth street, reported an order
Accepted.

The orders of notice, submitted with the foregoing reports, of hearings on the construction of sidewalks in

Norton street,

and

School street,

are recorded, respectively, on pages 109 and 112, of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction, - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.
Approved by the Mayor, July 27, 1898.

Orders of Notice ✓

The order submitted with the foregoing report, with an additional order, offered by Alderman Lapham, for the construction of sidewalks in

Thurston street,

and

Higgleworth street,

are recorded, respectively, on pages 117 and 120 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction - of the Mayor and Alderman of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.
Approved by the Mayor, July 27, 1898.

Orders ✓

The Committee on Highways, to which was recommitted, July 20th, a report from that committee submitting a list of proposals received to furnish paving blocks for the paving of Webster avenue, reported that an error was made in said report in stating the amount of S. & A. J. Lombard's proposal, and presented the following corrected list of proposals received for the furnishing of such paving blocks.

Rockport Granite Co. $50.00 per thousand.

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Pigeon Hill Granite Co. $48.00 per thousand
Barnes Roofing Co. 44.95 "
S. and A. J. Lombard 44.00 "

and submitted an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 27. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and they hereby are, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with S. and A. J. Lombard for the furnishing of paving blocks for the paving of Webster avenue, from the Cambridge Line to the Fitchburg Railroad, at the prices named in their proposal submitted in said committee's report this date, namely,- forty-four dollars ($44.00) per thousand; the amount so expended to be charged to Highways, Paving Webster avenue account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 27. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 28, 1898.

√ Report

The Committee on Highways, in pursuance of an order dated July 13, submitted the following list of proposals received to furnish labor for the paving of Webster avenue, from the Cambridge Line to the Fitchburg Railroad.-

Names of Bidders	gravel foundation per sq. yd. (1700) yards	concrete foundation per sq. yd. (900) yards	Setting edgestones per lin. ft. (1000) ft.	Crosswalks per sq. yard (170)	Relaying sidewalks 100 sq. yds.	Estimated Aggregate
	$	$	$	$	$	$
Barnes Roofing Co.	0.72	1.60	0.45	0.45	0.35	3369.50
H. Gore and Co.	0.79	1.63	0.15	0.79	0.40	3292.30
Soule and Dillingham	0.82	1.53	0.17	0.60	0.35	3242.00
A. A. Libby and Co.	0.77	1.48	0.10	0.75	0.35	3057.50
M. J. McGawley & Co.	0.66	1.31	0.13½	0.65	0.27	2705.50
Patrick McGovern	0.48	1.29	0.16	0.50	0.37	2355.00

and presented an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 27. Accepted in concurrence.

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The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:- | Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to make a contract with Patrick McGovern for the labor for the paving of Webster avenue, from the Cambridge Line to the Fitchburg Railroad, at the prices named in said Committee's report of this date, the expense so incurred to be charged to Highways, Paving Webster avenue account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 27. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

The Committee on Highways, on the petition of Manuel S. Millo and others, for the laying out of Charnwood Road from Willow avenue to Cordonia Road, presented a favorable report as recorded on page 65 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. | Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 27. Accepted in concurrence.

Accompanying the foregoing report was an order of notice of a hearing on the laying out of Charnwood Road, as recorded on page 66 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. | Order of Notice ✓

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 27. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 28, 1898.

Received from the Common Council information that on this July 27th inst., under a suspension of the rules, the vote whereby the Common Council, on the 13th inst., adopted an order laying out Winslow avenue, was reconsidered, and further action on such order was indefinitely postponed. | Order ✓

A resolve and order for the laying out of Winslow avenue, as re- | Resolve and Order ✓

corded on pages 54 to 56, inclusive, of volume 3, of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, were

Read twice, and adopted, and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, July 27th. Read twice and adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor, July 26, 1898

Communication

Received from the Superintendent of Public Buildings, a communication in furtherance of an order dated July 20, submitting the following list of proposals received for the furnishing of improved heating and ventilating apparatus at the Prescott Schoolhouse, in accordance with plans prepared by A. A. Jackson, and adopted by the City Council:—

Name of Bidder	Complete	Omitting exhaust fans	Omitting exhaust fans and coils in rooms
Walworth Manf. & Supply Co.	$7474.00	$6599.00	$6694.00
Albert B. Franklin	7600.00	7000.00	6500.00
Isaac Griffin & Co.	6950.00	6550.00	6438.00
Smith & Anthony Co.	6950.62	6450.62	6325.62
A. A. Jackson	6745.00	6295.00	6135.00
Alexander Duncan & Co.	6356.00	5671.00	5509.00

Accepted and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, July 27. Accepted in concurrence

Order

Alderman Cummings offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Public Property be, and they hereby are, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with Alexander Duncan & Co. for the furnishing of improved heating and ventilating apparatus at the Prescott schoolhouse, at the price named in their proposal, submitted in a communication from the Superintendent of Public Buildings this date, namely, five thousand, five hundred, nine dollars, ($5509.00), — the expense so incurred to be charged to Schoolhouse, Prescott, Heating and Ventilating account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence

In Common Council, July 27. Read twice and adopted in concurrence

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Approved by the Mayor, July 25, 1895.

The Committee on Fire Department, on an order dated July 13th, submitted plans prepared by Messrs Loring & Phipps, Architects, for a two-story fire-station to be erected on the City's land at the corner of Holland and Newbury streets, and presented an order. — Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 27. Accepted in concurrence.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the plans presented this evening, made by Messrs Loring & Phipps, for a two-story fire station, to be erected on the City's land at the corner of Holland and Newbury streets, be, and the same is hereby accepted, and the Committee on Fire Department are hereby authorized to solicit proposals for the construction of said fire station in accordance with plans herewith adopted.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 27. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 25, 1895.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the City Solicitor be, and he is hereby, authorized to begin and to prosecute in the name of the city, or otherwise, proceedings in any court at law and in equity, in his discretion, for the purpose of preventing the unlawful blasting of rock or stone within the limits of the city, in violation of ordinance of the city, or otherwise.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 27. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, July 25, 1895.

Alderman Tabor offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

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That a special committee of five members of this board be appointed to confer with a like committee of three of the common council, to consider the advisability of the city government playing an exhibition game of base ball with the fire or police or some other department, on the Tufts Oval, the proceeds of the game to be given to the Ladies' Volunteer Aid Society as a contribution to the benefit of the wives and children of the men of Somerville who have enlisted in the service of the United States.

Adopted and Aldermen Farber and Huntley appointed to the committee on the part of this board. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, July 27. Adopted in concurrence and Councilmen Smith, Simmons and Gracey appointed on the part of this branch. Sent up for information.

Approved by the Mayor, July 25, 1898.

Adjourned.

Attest,

George S. Vincent

Clerk

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville, August 13, 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Lamont, Kilmer and Ball present.

Records approved.

In pursuance of orders approved July 14, hearings were given for all persons desiring to object to the construction of sidewalks in

Hearings ✓

✓ Banks street,
✓ Bonner avenue,
✓ Burnside avenue,
✓ Columbus avenue,
✓ Concord avenue, northerly side,
✓ Concord avenue, southerly side,
✓ Francesca avenue,
✓ Hancock street,
✓ Highland avenue,
✓ Hudson street,
✓ Medford street,
✓ Miner street,
✓ Russell street,
✓ Sargent avenue,
and
✓ Tennyson street,

all parties interested having been duly notified as appears by the officer's returns recorded, respectively, on pages 44-47-50-53-56-59-62-65-68-71-74-77-80-83 and 86 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalk Hearings and Construction of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearings were closed.

Received from the Common Council, petitions from

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Thomas Henderson and others, that Dane avenue be put in good condition for travel, and that the danger to the public health, arising from the condition of said avenue, be removed.

L. A. Kaan and others, that the sidewalks in Benedict street be repaired.

In Common Council, July 27. Referred to Committee on Highways, and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, August 10. Reference concurred in.

Reports

Received the reports for the month of July of the Chief of Police and Superintendent of Electric Lines.

Placed on file.

Communication

Received from the City Solicitor the following communication:

To the Honorable, the City Council of the City of Somerville.

Gentlemen:—

In relation to your order passed July 27, 1898, and approved by His Honor the Mayor, authorizing the City Solicitor to bring legal proceedings for the prevention of unlawful blasting of rock, I beg leave to report that since the passage of the order, and in advance of such legal proceedings, assurances have been given me by the persons whom it was desired to restrain from blasting, that they would not carry on any blasting operations in violation of the ordinances of the city. It seems unnecessary, therefore, for me to take steps under the order.

Very respectfully,

Frank H. Kaan, City Solicitor

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Aug. 11. Accepted in concurrence.

Communication

Received from George S. Evans, U. S. Post Office Inspector, a communication stating that it has been called to his attention that by the method of constructing a sewer in Bow street and Union Square, it is proposed to obstruct the passage of the United States Mail over the tracks of the West End Street Railway Company, such mail being carried by the Boston Elevated Railway Company, and giving notice that the obstructing and retarding of the United States mail is a

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criminal offence and that anyone violating the law must be prosecuted.

Placed on file.

Received petitions - each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, - that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors, - Petitions ✓

J. Albert Tyler, Rudolph Komenda, William Coman, James Fitzgerald, and Agathon Wittfeldt, all approved by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

Received petitions from, - Petitions ✓

Clarence Tucker, for a license as an auctioneer for the year beginning May 1, 1898.

Bernard Graustein, for a change of the location named in his petition for a license to keep a junk store, from the rear of #64 to rear of #92 Webster avenue.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received a petition from James F. Dolliver and others for a catch-basin in Lesley avenue at the corner of Highland avenue. Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Received a petition from Charles E. Trumbull, Burton A. Felton and Charles C. McGuire, co-partners under the name and style of C. E. Trumbull and Company, for permission to blast rock in excavating for the storm drain and sewer in Union Square, Bow street and Summer street, they being the contractors for the construction of said drain and sewer. Petition ✓

Permission granted.

Received a petition from the Cambridge Gas Light Company for permission to lay gas mains in Beacon street, Somerville avenue and Forrest street, as per plan filed with the petition. Petition ✓

Placed on file.

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√ Petition	Received a petition from the West End Street Railway Company, for a change in the location of its double tracks in Main street at and near the Medford line, in order that the tracks in the two cities may come together at a convenient curve. Placed on file.
√ Petitions	Received petitions from:- S. E. Goldthwait, for the removal of a decayed or dead tree standing in front of his residence #257 Broadway. William B. Holmes and others, that edgestones be set on the remaining southerly side of Heath street. Annie A. Terrio, for a brick sidewalk with edgestones in front of her estate Nos. 29, 31 and 31 A Vernon street, she agreeing to pay the cost of the bricks and edgestones. Charles H. Bradshaw, attorney for F. E. Bradshaw, and others, for sidewalks of cement finish on both sides of Westwood Road, at a cost to the abutters not exceeding $1.21 per square foot. Referred to Committee on Highways.
√ Petition	Received a petition from Aaron H. Patten for the lowering of the edgestone so as to form a driveway in front of his estate on Porter street, at the corner of Arnold avenue, he agreeing to pay the cost. Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council, August 11 Reference concurred in.
√ Petitions	Received petitions from:- E. H. Bolton and others, that the incandescent lamp now in front of #10 Crescent street be removed, and a Welsbach substituted. John A. Wright and others, that Loring street be properly lighted. Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council, August 11 References concurred in.
√ Order	Alderman Tarbox offered the following order:- Ordered:-

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That the license granted by this board May 25th, 1898, to Fred Swanberg to sell newspapers, be, and it hereby is revoked; the said Swanberg having surrendered his badge and license.

Adopted.

The Committee on Licenses, - Reports ✓

on the petition of Simon Rubineau for a license as a common victualler at 419 Somerville avenue, reported leave to withdraw;

on the petition of Charlotte B. Brook, for a license as a common victualler at 50 Broadway, reported an order;

on the petition of Carmine Forello and another for a license to play a hand-organ in the streets, reported leave to withdraw;

on petitions for licenses from Benjamin Cohen to collect junk and to pay his calling as a junk collector in the streets, and Bernard Grunstein to keep a junk store in rear of 74 Hebeler avenue, reported leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows: Order ✓

Ordered:-

That a license as a common victualler, under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to the following-named party, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
Charlotte B. Brook	50 Broadway

Adopted.

The Committee on Sewers, - Reports ✓

in pursuance of an order dated May 11th, reported the completion in Lincoln Parkway from the sewer in Leland street, northerly and westerly, of 678.4 feet of 12-inch pipe sewer, with four manholes, at a cost of $463.31, and submitted a

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list of assessments upon estates benefited;

on the petitions of John G. De Celles and others, for a common sewer in Curtis street, and Aaron A. Gould and others and Sumner Robinson and others, for a sewer in Raymond avenue, reported orders.

Accepted.

√ Assessments

The list of assessments submitted with the foregoing report, with a warrant and order for the collection of the same, for a common sewer in

Lincoln Parkway,

is recorded on pages 293 to 296, inclusive of volume 2, of the Records of Sewer Assessments, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Adopted.

√ Orders

The orders, accompanying the foregoing reports, for the construction of common sewers in

Curtis street

and

Raymond avenue

are recorded, respectively, on pages 670 and 672 of volume 1 of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, August 10, 1898.

√ Orders

Alderman Lapham offered orders for the construction of sidewalks in

Banks street

Bonner avenue,

Burnside avenue,

Columbus avenue,

Concord avenue, northerly side,

Concord avenue, southerly side,

Francesca avenue,

Hancock street,

Highland avenue,

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Hudson street,
Medford and Pearl streets,
Miner street,
Russell street,
Sargent avenue,
and
Tennyson street,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 45, 48, 51, 54, 57, 60, 63, 66, 69, 72, 75, 78, 81, 84 and 87 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, August 10, 1898.

The Committee on Highways, in pursuance of an order dated April 20, reported the completion of brick sidewalks on both sides of Springfield street from Concord avenue to the Cambridge Line, and submitted a list of assessments for one-half the cost of the same. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The list of assessments, accompanying the foregoing report, with a warrant and an order for the collection of the same, for the construction of sidewalks in — Assessments ✓

Springfield street

is recorded on pages 301 to 304, inclusive, of volume 3 of the Records of Sidewalk Assessments, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Adopted.

The Committee on Highways, on an order from the Common Council, dated July 21st, requesting that brick sidewalks be constructed where they are not already constructed on the southerly side of Highland avenue, between Walnut street and Central street, reported an order of notice of a hearing. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The order of notice, accompanying the foregoing report, of a — Order of Notice ✓

hearing on the construction of sidewalks on the southwesterly side of Highland avenue, from Walnut street to Spell Lane, is recorded on page 121 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalk Hearings and Construction of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, August 10, 1898.

✓ Order

Alderman Lapham offered an order for a hearing on the petition of the West End Street Railway Company for a change in the location of its tracks on Main street, as recorded on page 344 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways, and Moving Buildings, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, August 10, 1898.

✓ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,—

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Ordered:—

That a permit be issued to the Cambridge Gas Light Company to lay new gas mains in Benson street, Forest street, and Somerville avenue, from the boundary line of the City of Cambridge, near Inman Square, to the boundary line of said city, at the points of intersection with said Forest street and with said Somerville avenue near White street, in locations substantially as indicated on a plan entitled "Plan Showing Proposed 24", 20" & 16" & 12" Gas Mains of Cambridge Gas Light Co.," and filed with the City Clerk this day.

Such permit shall not issue until the said company shall have first filed with the City Clerk an agreement in writing, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to restore the streets in which said gas mains are to be laid to good condition satisfactory to the committee on highways and the superintendent of streets, as the work progresses and within ten days after said mains are laid in any given portion of a street, and to save the city harmless from all liability for damage by reason of the laying of said mains and to reimburse the city for any expense which it may incur on account of the laying thereof, and for such further protection of the interests of the city as the city solicitor may deem advisable.

Adopted.

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The Committee on Highways, on the petition of James J. Daily and others, for the laying out of Joy street, from Washington street to Poplar street, submitted a favorable report as recorded on page 73 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. — Report

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, August 10. Accepted in concurrence.

Accompanying the foregoing report was an order of notice of hearing on the laying out of Joy street, as recorded on page 74 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. — Order of Notice

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, August 11. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, August 12, 1895.

The Committee on Ordinances on petitions from the Women's Christian Temperance Unions of Somerville for the enactment of a curfew law, reported a draft of an ordinance. — Report

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14, Accepted and non-concurred in.

The ordinance submitted with the foregoing report is as follows:— — Ordinance

No.

An Ordinance Limiting the Hours When Children May Be in the Streets and Concerning Neglected Children.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Somerville, as follows:—

Sect. 1. No child under sixteen years of age shall be in or upon any of the streets, ways, sidewalks, subways, alleys, public squares or parks in this city in the night time after nine o'clock in the evening, unless such child is accompanied by a parent, guardian or other person having the legal custody of such child, or is in the performance of some errand or duty directed by such parent, guardian or such other person, or unless such child is there necessarily by reason

of its employment.

Sect. 2 Any child violating any of the provisions of section one of this ordinance shall be liable to a fine not exceeding five dollars for each such violation. The Chief of Police, or other police officer, may prosecute for all such fines.

Sect. 3 The Chief of Police shall keep a record of all such violations and shall cause to be notified thereof one of the parents, the guardian, or other person having the legal custody of such child. He may also make complaint of all cases of children under eighteen years of age who, by reason of orphanage, or of the neglect, crime, drunkenness, or other vice of parents, are suffered to grow up without salutary parental control or education, or are circumstanced offering them to lead idle and dissolute lives.

Read twice and further action postponed until the first regular meeting in September; the city clerk, in the meantime, to send a printed copy to each member of the City Council.

✓ Report

The joint special committee appointed under an order dated July 27th to consider the advisability of playing an exhibition game of base-ball with the Fire or Police or some other Department, on the Fifth Ward, the proceeds to be given to the Ladies' Volunteer Aid Society as a contribution for the dependent relatives of Somerville Soldiers of the present war with Spain, reported inexpedient to take any action.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Aug. 11, Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order:—

Ordered:—

That all members of the Grand Army of the Republic, employed by the City of Somerville, be and hereby are granted two weeks leave of absence, without loss of pay, to attend the National Encampment to be held in Cincinnati the first week of September, provided that such leave of absence shall constitute, or be in lieu of the regular vacation of any employee who may avail himself thereof.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Aug. 11, Read twice and adopted in

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commissioner.

Approved by the Mayor, August 12, 1895.

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order, — Order ✓

Whereas it is deemed advisable and expedient that the City of Somerville, a municipal corporation duly established by law within the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, should take, maintain and hold in fee for the purposes hereinafter set forth the parcel of land hereinafter described, -

Now, therefore, be it known and it is hereby ordered that by virtue and in execution of the authority conferred by chapter two hundred and ninety-nine of the Acts of the Legislature of said Commonwealth for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven entitled "An act to authorize the taking of land for schoolhouses", and by virtue and in execution of every other power and authority it hereto enabling, the said City of Somerville, by its City Council has taken and does hereby take in fee (and will and does hereby take, maintain and hold in fee) for the purpose of the erection thereon of a schoolhouse and the necessary buildings, a certain parcel of land, with all the privileges, easements and appurtenances thereto belonging, situated in said Somerville and shown on a plan hereto annexed entitled "City of Somerville plan showing land taken for school house purposes in ward two", made by Ernest W. Bailey, City Engineer, and dated July 27, 1895. Said parcel of land is bounded and described as follows: - - - beginning at a point on the northerly side of Washington street distant eighty-two and 17/100 feet easterly from Dane street, measured along said northerly side of Washington street, thence the boundary line runs northerly at an angle of 74° 27' 20" with said Washington street on lands now or formerly of Sherlin, Healey, Kilroy and Branagan in the order named, three hundred and twenty-five and 44/100 feet; thence easterly at an angle of 94° 56' 10" on lands now or formerly of Sheridan, O'Kelley, Corgan and Daniels in the order named, one hundred and sixty-nine and 30/100 feet, thence southerly at an angle of 77° 17' 30" on lands now or formerly of Bennett, Bennett and Kellow, in the order named, three hundred and seven and 42/100 feet to said -

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Washington street, thence westerly on said Washington street one hundred and thirty-one and 96/100 feet to the point of beginning; containing 46,080 square feet of land, all as shown on said plan; all said angles being the interior angles of said parcel of land.

That statement is hereby made of the purpose for which the same is now taken, to wit, for the purpose hereinbefore set forth.

It is further ordered that the city clerk be and he is hereby directed in behalf of said City of Somerville to cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the southern district of said County of Middlesex, as a description of said land sufficiently accurate for identification and as a statement of the purpose for which the said land was taken, the plan hereinbefore referred to, and a copy, certified by him as such, of this order and instrument, such statement also to be signed by the mayor of said City of Somerville.

It is estimated and determined that all damages sustained by any person or corporation by the aforesaid taking of said land amount in the aggregate to the sum of nine thousand five hundred and sixteen dollars, being sustained in equal shares by Elias P. Flagg, Henry D. Flagg, Emily F. Hilliard, Elizabeth Simmons and Florence A. M. Thayer, supposed owners, or by whomever may be the owners.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, August 11, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, August 12, 1898.

Adjournment. On motion of Alderman Kilmer it was voted that when the Board adjourns, it adjourn until the first regular meeting in September.

Adjourned.

Attest,

George S. Vincent

Clerk.

Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen, called by the mayor to draw jurors and to transact any other business that might come before the board, all the members having been duly notified in writing.—
City Hall, Somerville, August 30, 1898 - 8 30 A.M.

The president, Alderman Ball, presiding
Aldermen Huntley, Tarbox, Darlin, Lamont, Cummings and Ball present.

Received a venire for the drawing of three men to serve as Traverse jurors at the Superior Court to be holden at Cambridge on the second Monday in September next, the men so drawn to be summoned to appear and attend said court, Monday September 12th at ten o'clock, A.M. Jurors ✓

By direction of the president, the city messenger passed the box, containing the names on the jury list, to Alderman Lamont, who drew therefrom and read aloud the names of

Frank A. Teele, 5 Irving St.
Oliver B. Ginn, 49 Tennyson St.
John Hunnewell, 48 Pearl St.

The slips bearing the said names so drawn were passed by the messenger to the president, who verified the names by reading them aloud from said slips, which were then passed to the city clerk who also read the said names aloud therefrom, and after duly endorsing the slips returned them to the proper compartment of the jury box.

Adjourned.

Attest,

George S. Vincent
Clerk

Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen, called by the mayor to act on proposals for the construction of a Fire Station in ward four, and to transact any other business that might come before the board - all the members having been duly notified in writing, -

City Hall, Somerville, September 6, 1895 - 7.00 P.M.

The President, Alderman Ball, presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davis, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings & Ball present.

Records approved.

/ Drain Layers' Bonds

Received, drain layers' bonds, each in the sum of one thousand dollars, and in the form that has been approved by the City Solicitor, from -

Cummings Conroy, with Mary Kent of Boston and John J. Kent of Somerville, as sureties.

Charles A. Morgan, with Charles L. Patten as surety.

(Fifty cents in U. S. Revenue stamps being affixed to each of said bonds and cancelled.)

Accepted and approved.

/ Notice

Received a notice from Isaac A. Story, Secretary of the Republican City Committee, that republican caucuses will be held September 23d inst., and asking that polling places be provided.

Placed on file.

/ Report

The Committee on Fire Department, in pursuance of an order dated July 27th, submitted the following list of proposals received to construct a two-door brick fire station to be located on the city's land on Holland street, at the corner of Newbury street, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Young and Phipps, architects.

Names & Bidders	Amount
H. J. McLean	$17,700.00

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Freeman and Libby	$16,900.00
George M. Davis and Son	16,462.00
Alfred H. Hines	16,000.00
H. P. Jackson	15,727.00
W. L. Clark & Co.	15,600.00
W. S. Abbie	15,500.00
T. F. Farrington	15,212.00
T. S. Brown	15,125.00
Rufus B. Lord	15,115.00
Starbird and Johnson	15,080.00
W. A. Tenney and F. R. Phillips	14,777.00
Caliwell and Bennett	14,365.00
E. T. Merrill	13,957.00

and presented an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, September 6. Accepted in concurrence.

The order presented with the foregoing report is as follows:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Fire Department be, and hereby is, authorized to make a contract with E. T. Merrill for the construction of a two-door brick fire station to be located on the city's land on Holland street, corner of Newbury street, at the price named in his proposal submitted in said committee's report of this date, namely, $13,957.00, the expense so incurred under said order to be charged to Fire Department, Fire Station, Clarendon Hill account.

(signed) L. Herbert Huntley

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 6. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 6, 1898

His Honor, Mayor Perry, presiding

Received the report of the Chief of Police for the month of August. Report ✓

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Placed on file.

✓ Report

Received the report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for the month of July.

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council Sept. 6. Read for information.

✓ Petitions

Received petitions, each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors,—

Ross H. Douglass, Robert J. Gibson, Roy G. Mattiner and Frank Ziegel; all approved by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

✓ Petitions

Received petitions from,—

Martha Donnelly, for a license as a common victualler at 543 Somerville avenue;

Arthur G. Pearson, for a license as a common victualler at 304 Broadway.

Michael Rosenblitt, for a license to keep a store in which to buy and sell junk at 15 Poplar street.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

✓ Petitions

Received petitions from,—

F. K. Collins and others, for a sewer in Jenny Lind avenue between Vernon and Medford streets.

Minnie L. Merrill and others, for a sewer in Raymond avenue.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

✓ Petitions

Received petitions from,—

Somerville Electric Company, for permission to erect a pole on Broadway at the southwest corner of Sycamore street.

Henry A. Stevens, for a brick sidewalk in front of his estate #16 Braston avenue, he agreeing to pay the cost of the bricks, the edgestones being already set.

Walter S. Sawyer, for brick sidewalks with edgestones in Browning Road in front of lot No. 9, which is on the northerly side

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of said road and lot No. 15, which is on the southerly side
Referred to Committee on Highways.

Received petitions from, — Petitions ✓

Thomas J. Barker and others, for the acceptance of Dimick street.
Louis L. Doyle and others, for the laying out of Lowell street, between Highland avenue and Broom street.
Henry Drouet and others, that Summer street, from Wesley square to School street, be laid with asphalt.
Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Sept. 6. Reference concurred in.

Received notices of claims from, — Notices ✓

Mary Budson, by her attorney, Richard H. Kilduff, 512 Tremont Building, Boston, for compensation for injuries to her arm and face received at about 10.30 A.M. on July 29d. 1898, while visiting her sister, Mrs. Michael Martell, at 57 Webster avenue, Somerville, caused by an explosion in said house and a fire, which stunned and burned her greatly; the explosion and fire being due to sewer gas leaking into the house from the city's sewer, and igniting. (Received by the City Clerk, Aug. 19.)
Michael Martell, by his attorney, Richard H. Kilduff, 512 Tremont Building, Boston, for compensation for damage to his house, Nos. 57 and 57 A Webster avenue, Somerville, caused by an explosion therein, at about 10.30 A.M. on July 29d. 1898, from the igniting of sewer gas which leaked into said house from a defective sewer belonging to and controlled by the City of Somerville. (Received by the City Clerk, Aug. 19.)
Referred to Committee on Claims and sent down for concurrence. In Common Council Sept. 6, Reference concurred in.

Received notice to appear before the Superior Court at Cambridge on the first Monday of October next, and answer to the petition of Oliver Ames of Boston, Samuel Carr of Boston and Oliver A. Kent of Brookline, — Notice of Suit ✓ Oliver Ames et als.

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Trustees under the will of Frederick L. Amee; Franklin O. Reed of Somerville and Franklin O. Reed, Trustee under the will of J. T. Reed; Ellsworth Fiske, Emma A. Lincoln and Fred A. Fiske, all of Somerville; and A. Grant Edmands of Brookline and Caroline A. Parsons of Boston, Trustees under the will of Solomon Parsons, for a jury to assess the damages by them sustained, in consequence of the changing of the grade and the making of repairs of Middlesex avenue, under an order passed by the City Council, August 23d, 1897, with the approval of the Mayor; the said petitioners representing that they are the owners of a certain parcel of land described in the petition, situated on the westerly side of Middlesex avenue at its intersection with the proposed new parkway called Mystic avenue and containing five acres, more or less. (Received by the City Clerk, August 23, 1898.)

Placed in hands of City Solicitor and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, September 6. Placed in hands of City Solicitor in concurrence.

√ Notice of Suit

Received two notices to appear before the Superior Court at Cambridge, on the first Monday of October next and answer to Rachel E. Mahoney of Somerville, in an action of tort, to the damage of said plaintiff, as she saith, the sum of $5000.00 (Filed, respectively, with the City Clerk, Aug. 18 and September 6.)

Placed in hands of City Solicitor and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 6. Placed in hands of City Solicitor in concurrence.

√ Report

The Committee on Sewers, in pursuance of orders dated August 10th, submitted the following list of proposals received to construct in Curtis street, between Conwell avenue and Electric avenue, 835 feet of 10-inch and 190 feet of 8-inch pipe sewer with five manholes, and to construct in Raymond avenue, from Curtis street northwesterly, 190 feet of 8-inch pipe sewer with one manhole, the pipe and manhole frames and covers to be furnished by the city.

Names of Bidders	Rock excavation per cu. yard	Manholes each	Laying 10 in. sewer per lin. foot	Laying 8 inch sewer per lin. foot	Laying 8 inch sewer Raymond ave. per lin. foot	Estimated Aggregate
	$	$	$	$	$	$
Chas. A. Morgan	4.00	35.00	0.45	0.45	0.38	863.45
Chas. A. Kelley	3.00	33.00	0.42	0.40	0.35	781.20
D. C. Collins	2.50	30.00	0.40	0.35	0.35	747.05

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N. Buttimer	2.50	38.00	0.40	0.40	0.38	725.20
A. F. Cunningham	4.00	27.00	0.35	0.35	0.35	707.35
R. Fahey	2.90	29.00	0.37	0.35	0.35	702.95
Daniel A. Dorey	3.00	28.00	0.32	0.32	0.32	646.80

and presented an order

Accepted.

The order presented with the foregoing report is as follows: — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Sewers be, and they hereby are, authorized to make a contract with Daniel A. Dorey for the construction of a common sewer in Curtis street, between Bonwell avenue and Electric avenue, and a common sewer in Raymond avenue, from Curtis street northwestedly about 190 feet, at the prices named in his proposal submitted in said committee's report of this date.

(signed) Andrew A. Lamont

Read twice and adopted

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 7, 1898.

Alderman Huntley offered the following order,— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That a joint special committee to consist of His Honor the Mayor and two members of the Board of Aldermen, together with such members of the Common Council as may be joined, be appointed to represent the city at the funeral services of Frank B. Draper, late sergeant of Company M 5th Regiment, M. V. M., at the First Universalist Church, on Grove street, Thursday, September 8, at 2 P. M., and that His Honor the Mayor be, and he hereby is, requested to cause the flags of the city to be displayed at half-mast on the day of the funeral and the fire bells to be tolled from such time as the procession shall leave the church until it reaches the city limits.

Read twice and adopted. Aldermen Huntley and Lamont appointed to the committee on the part of this board. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, September 6. Read twice and adopted in concurrence. Councilmen Gracey, Kind and Foster appointed on the part of this branch.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 7, 1898.

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Adjourned

Attest,

George S. Vincent

Clerk.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Somerville, Sept. 14, 1895 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry, presiding.

Aldermen, Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Dawlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.

Records approved.

In pursuance of orders approved, respectively, July 27 and August 10, hearings were given to all persons desiring to object to the construction of sidewalks in

Morton street,
School street,
and
Highland avenue,

all parties interested having been duly notified as appears by the officers returns recorded, respectively, on pages 110, 113 and 122 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

In the Highland avenue hearing, Mrs. Elizabeth Blackbird appeared and objected, because the present gravel sidewalk with edge-stones is very good and she does not wish to bear the expense of a brick sidewalk. Her frontage on the avenue is 150 feet.

No other persons appearing and desiring to be heard in either case, the hearings were closed.

Hearings ✓

In pursuance of an order approved August 10, a hearing was given for all parties interested in the petition of the West End Street Railway Company, by the Boston Elevated Railway Company, its attorney, for a change in the location of its tracks in Main street, at and near the Medford boundary line; due notice of the hearing having been given by the City Clerk, as appears by his return recorded on page 244 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways and Moving Buildings, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

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√ Communication

Received a communication from the Boston Elevated Railway Company, requesting permission to withdraw the petition of the West End Street Railway Company, dated August 6, 1898, upon which petition the hearing above referred to was given.

In accordance with this request, it was voted that, on the petition of the West End Street Railway Company for a change in the location of its tracks on Main street, at and near the Medford boundary line, the petitioner be given leave to withdraw.

√ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That a message be sent to the Common Council, requesting a convention of the two branches of the City Council, in the Common Council Chamber this evening, for the purpose of giving hearings to all persons desiring to object in the matters of the laying out of Ashland street, Charnwood Road, and Joy street; orders of notice of such hearings having been approved, respectively, July 14th, July 25th, and August 12th.

Adopted, and Alderman Lapham appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council.

In Common Council, Sept. 14, Request granted, and Councilman Lord appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.

Convention.

In Convention of the City Council.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tasbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cramminge, and Ball, President Wilson and Councilmen Smith, Grimmons, Thomson, Burns, Gracey, Story, Crocker, Berry, Lord, Sinal and Foster present.

√ Hearings

In pursuance of orders approved, respectively, July 14, July 25, and August 14, and an order passed this evening, hearings were given for all persons desiring to object to the laying out of

Ashland street

Charnwood Road

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and

Joy street,

all parties interested having been duly notified, as appears by the official returns recorded, respectively, on pages 59, 67 and 75 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

No persons interested appearing and desiring to object in either case, the hearings were closed.

The purposes for which it was assembled having been accomplished the convention was dissolved and the Mayor and Aldermen returned to their chamber. — Convention dissolved

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In Board of Aldermen. — Board of Aldermen

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Alderman Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.

Received the report of the Superintendent of Electric Lines for the month of August. — Report ✓

Placed on file.

Received a petition from John H. Cummings, Janitor of the Unitarian Church, Highland avenue, for appointment as a special police, without compensation. — Petition ✓

Referred to the Mayor.

Received a notice from Frederick K. Gifford, President and James J. Muldoon, Secretary of the Democratic City Committee, under the provisions of Section 95 of Chapter 545 of the Acts of 1895, that the caucuses of the Democratic party are to be held in the several wards of the city, Monday, Sept. 26, 1898 at 8 o'clock P.M., and asking that suitable polling places be provided. — Notice ✓

Placed on file.

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√ Petitions	Received petitions, each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors,— Harold B. Cox and George Skuse, both approved by the Chief of Police. Licenses granted.
√ Petitions	Received petitions for licenses to cry their goods in the streets, from,— Georgios Pruntas, 17 Cross St., Boston, Lemong Marchant, 6 Conlon Ct., Somerville, Efthimias Formbas, 31 Norman St., Boston, the first and last named holding State licenses, and all of the petitions being approved by the Chief of Police. Referred to Committee on Licenses.
√ Petition	Received a petition from J. Frank Wellington for a license to keep ten horses in a stable to be erected on his land in Union Square in rear of coal yard. Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.
√ Petitions	Received petitions from,— William Lears and others, for a common sewer in Main street from the Medford line to Fremont street; John Higgins, for a sewer in Warwick street place; Fred B. Quimby, for four catch-basins in Electric avenue; Thomas F. McNamara and others, for two catch-basins in Sheehan street. Referred to Committee on Sewers.
√ Waiver of Notice	Received from the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts a waiver of notice of a hearing in the matter of certain necessary changes in the location of its pole on Summer street at the corner of Banks street, as indicated on plan dated August 24, 1898, and submitted with the waiver of notice. Referred to Committee on Highways.

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Received petitions from. — Petitions ✓

✓ The Cambridge Gas Light Company, for permission to lay a six-inch gas main in Elm street, southerly side, Davis square and Highland street, northerly side, from Chester street to Pauline street; also a four-inch main in Kidder avenue, southerly side, from 600 feet west of Liberty avenue to the east side of Liberty avenue, and in Liberty avenue from the southerly line of Kidder avenue to the southerly side of Hall avenue, and thence toward and into Hall avenue about 75 feet; also a 4-inch main in Cedar street, westerly side, from the southerly line of Hudson street to the southerly line of Albion street, and in Albion street, northerly side, from the westerly side of Cedar street to 150 feet east of Lowell street.

✓ Mary E. and William F. Porter, for the removal of a chestnut tree, standing on the westerly side of Elm street, about 15 feet northerly from Davenport street, as, in the opinion of the petitioners, this tree interferes with the growth of the elm tree near by, and the limbs of the chestnut tree obstruct the light and air in front of their house.

✓ L. H. Snow and others, for granolithic sidewalks on the easterly side of Benton avenue, from Highland avenue to Hudson street.

✓ Charles H. Bradshaw, attorney for F. A. Bradshaw, and others, for edgestones of granolithic or granite, (granolithic preferred) in Benton Road, at a cost to the abutters not to exceed 40 cents per running foot.

✓ A. B. Lamprey, for a brick sidewalk in front of his estate on Porter street, provided the sidewalk is built right through from Summer avenue to Highland avenue.

✓ Mrs. Belle Garland and others, for brick sidewalks on the northwest side of Porter street, from Highland avenue to Summer street.

✓ Martha A. Mann, for a brick sidewalk in front of her estate #50 and #52 Porter street, the edgestones being already set.

Referred to Committee on Highways.

Received petitions from. — Petitions ✓

L. A. Hardwood, for a driveway in front of his estate #126 Cardinal street.

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at his expense, and that the sidewalk in front of said estate be repaired.

Fannie I. Bradshaw and others, that Benton Road be laid out as a public street or way from Summer street to Highland avenue.

Estabrook Real Estate Trust and others, that Eliot street be graded and that dirt sidewalks, without curbing, be constructed.

Joseph K. Oliver and others, for the removal of an obstruction in Sewall street, consisting of a corner of the house numbered 42 and 44 on said street.

West Somerville Board of Trade, by L. K. Libbey, Secretary, that immediate action be taken toward the opening of the Thorndike street crossing of the Boston and Maine Railroad, and the proper guarding of the same.

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14. Reference concurred in.

√ Petition.

Received from the Somerville Volunteer Ladies' Aid Society, by Adele I. Cummings, Corresponding Secretary, a petition for an appropriation in the way of a stated monthly sum for the benefit of the families of the soldiers, who need aid, or an appropriation to the society to be expended for that purpose.

Referred to Committee on Finance, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, September 14. Reference concurred in.

√ Notice.
claim, personal injuries

Received from Anne Clancy, of 55 Ursley street, Roxbury, by her attorney, John F. Cronan, a notice that while walking on a temporary plank walk on Broadway, August 14, 1898, between 5 and 6 o'clock P. M., at a point adjoining the building numbered 18 on said Broadway, which walk was laid around a barrier constructed in consequence of the erection of a building between the buildings numbered, respectively, 18 and 24 on said Broadway, she fell by reason of the defective condition of said plank walk, and injured her right side, both knees, her right foot, and other parts of her body, for which injuries she intends to hold the City responsible in damages. (Received by the City Clerk September 12.)

Referred to Committee on Claims and sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, September 14, Reference concurred in

The ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Limiting the Horses When Children Play Be In the Streets, and Concerning Neglected Children," which ordinance was read twice August 10 and further action was then postponed until the first regular meeting in September, action was taken as follows:— Ordinance ✓

Passed to be enrolled and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, September 14. Received its first reading, and a second reading refused by the following yea and nay vote Councilmen Thomson, Burrows, Gracey, Story, Berry and Lord (6) voting in the affirmative and Councilmen Osborne, Kenney, Smith, Cushman, Grimmons, Burns, Crocker, Vinal, Foster and the President (10) voting in the negative.

Alderman Cummings offered the following orders.— Orders ✓

Upon the notice received by the City Clerk September 8th inst., from the Democratic City Committee, of caucuses to be held in the several wards of the city by the Democratic party, on Monday evening, September 26th inst., — said notice being given in accordance with the provisions of section 95 of chapter 545 of the Acts of the year 1898, it is hereby

Ordered.—

That polling places for said caucuses be and they hereby are assigned as follows:—

in Ward One,

a room in the Davis schoolhouse on Tufts street,

in Ward Two,

Union Hall in Common Building on Bow street,

in Ward Three,

a room in the Bingham schoolhouse on Lowell street,

in Ward Four,

a room in the Martin G. Carr schoolhouse on Beach street,

and the Committee on Public Property is hereby instructed to cause said polling places to be provided and prepared for the purpose of said caucuses, the expense so incurred to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Upon the notice received in this board September 6th inst., from the Repub.

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lican City Committee, of caucuses to be held in the several wards of the city, by the Republican party on Wednesday evening, September 28th inst. - said notice being given in accordance with the provisions of section 95 of chapter 548 of the Acts of the year 1898, it is hereby

Ordered:-

That polling places for said caucuses be and they hereby are assigned as follows,-

in Ward One,

the ward room in the Prescott schoolhouse on Pearl street,

in Ward Two,

Union Hall in Connor Building on Bow street,

in Ward Three,

Odd Fellows Hall on Broadway, at the corner of Marshall street

in Ward Four,

Columbian Hall in Studio Building on Davis square,

and the Committee on Public Property is hereby instructed to cause said polling places to be provided and prepared for the purposes of said caucuses, the expense so incurred to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be and hereby is authorized, and instructed to secure suitable polling places for the elections to be held in the several voting precincts of the city, November 8th and December 6th of the current year, and to report a list of such polling places to this board at an early date; the expense incurred to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 15, 1898.

✓ Order. Alderman Tarbox offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the license to sell newspapers granted by this board to Charles E. Jenkins, be and the same is hereby revoked, the said licensee having surrendered his badge and license.

Adopted.

✓ Report. The Committee on Licenses, on the petition of Clarence Tucker

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for a license as an auctioneer, reported an order.

Accepted.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered: —

That a license as an auctioneer, under the laws of the Commonwealth, for the term of one year from the first day of May, 1895, be issued to the following named person, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for such license; provided that no charge for such licence shall be made to any soldier or sailor, who served in the army or navy during the war of the rebellion, and received an honorable discharge from such service.

Clarence Tucker

Adopted.

The Committee on Police, on the communication from James E Sullivan and others, complaining that Benjamin Cohen, without a licence disturbs the community by attempting to collect junk between 6 and 7 A. M. reported that in the judgment of the committee, no action is necessary as the Chief of Police learns that the said Cohen has left the city. — Report ✓

Accepted.

Alderman Lapham offered orders for the construction of sidewalks in — Orders ✓

Merton street,
School street,
and
Beech street,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 111, 114 and 144 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, September 15, 1895.

The Committee on Highways, on petitions for sidewalks from Maurice M Buttimer and others, westerly side Tufts street from Medford — Reports ✓

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street to Vernon street, gravel with edgestones,
Charles H. Bradshaw, attorney, and others, both sides Westwood Road, granolithic,
Alvin Goodspeed and others, both sides Jenny Lind avenue, gravel with edgestones,
William B. Holmes and others, southerly side Heath street, where not already constructed, gravel with edgestones,
Jeremiah O'Sullivan, both sides of Harrison street, from Kent street to Swallow street,
reported orders of notice.
Accepted.

√ Orders of Notice

The orders of notice accompanying the foregoing reports, with one additional order of notice offered by Alderman Lapham, of hearings on the construction of sidewalks in

Harrison street,
Heath street,
Jenny Lind avenue,
School street,
Trull street,
and
Westwood Road,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 124, 127, 130, 133, 136 and 139 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, were

Read twice and adopted.
Approved by the Mayor Sept. 15, 1898.

√ Reports

The Committee on Highways,—

on the petition of Aaron H. Gould, for a gravel sidewalk with edgestones, in front of his estate Nos. 104, 106, 108, 110 and 112, on the westerly side of Belmont street, he agreeing to pay the cost of the materials, reported an order,

on the petition of Amie A. Terrio, for a brick sidewalk with edgestones in front of his estate, Nos. 29, 31 and 31 A Vernon street, he agreeing to pay the cost of the bricks and edgestones, reported an order,

on the order, dated July 13, for the construction of a brick sidewalk in front of the estate owned by Sarah L. Spear, on the westerly side

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of Higgleworth street, reported that a sidewalk has been constructed as contemplated by said order, the bricks having been furnished by said Spear;

on the petition of C. H. Pradshaw and others for granolithic sidewalks on one or both sides of Westwood Road, provided the cost to the abutters shall not, in any event, exceed the cost of brick sidewalks, reported leave to withdraw;

on the petition of Albert C. Tufte and Marshall H. Locke for the removal of a partially dead tree, being the first from Central street toward Laurel street, in a row of trees standing on the southwesterly side of Summer street, reported that the tree has been removed, as prayed for;

Accepted.

The orders, accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows: Orders ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to construct a gravel sidewalk, with edgestones, in front of the estate of Aaron H. Gould, Nos. 104-106-108-110 and 112 Belmont street, when he shall have first made a deposit with the City Treasurer in a sum of money sufficient to cover the cost of the edgestones, the balance of the expense to be charged to Sidewalks account.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is authorized to construct a brick sidewalk, with edgestones, in front of the estate of Annie A. Terrio, Nos. 29-31 and 31 A Vernon street, when said Terrio shall have first made a deposit with the City Treasurer sufficient to cover the estimated cost of the bricks and edgestones, the balance of the expense to be charged to Sidewalks account.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 15, 1898.

The Committee on Highways, which was authorized by sundry orders to construct sidewalks as follows, namely:- in Browning Road, N. side, from the estate numbered 17 to and including the estate numbered 33, brick with edgestones. Reports ✓

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	Browning Road	S. side, from Swanson street to, and including the estate numbered 24, brick, with edgestone;
	Grant street	both sides, from Broadway to Jaques street, gravel, with edgestones;
	Harrison street	N. E. side, from the Universalist church to, and including the estate numbered 69, exclusive of the estate owned by Lydia B. Tibbetts, brick;
	Robinson street	south side, from Elmes street to Bartlett street, gravel, with edgestones;
	Thurston street	northwest side from Medford street to Evergreen avenue, brick with edgestones to the northerly line of the estate of John J. Williams, and gravel with edgestones from that point to Evergreen avenue;
	Thurston street	northwest side, in front of the estate owned by Hannah H. Brooks and Thomas Owens "trustees", brick;
	Wellington avenue	south side from Walnut street to Montgomery avenue, brick;
	Higgleworth street	east side from Pearl street to Otis street, gravel with edgestones;
	Higgleworth street	west side from Pearl street to McGregor Place, gravel with edgestones;

reported that sidewalks have been constructed as authorized by said orders and submitted lists of assessments for one-half the cost.

Accepted.

Assessments		The lists of assessments submitted with the foregoing report, with warrants and orders for their collection, for the construction of sidewalks in

Browning Road, northerly side.
Browning Road, southerly side.
Grant street.
Harrison street.
Robinson street.
Thurston street, northwesterly side from Medford street to Evergreen avenue.
Thurston street, northwesterly side, in front of the estate owned by Hannah H. Brooks and Thomas Owens, "trustees".
Wellington avenue.
Higgleworth street, easterly side.
Higgleworth street, westerly side.

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are recorded, respectively, on pages 205 to 208, 209 to 212, 213 to 216, 217 to 220, 221 to 224, 225 to 228, 229 to 232, 233 to 236, 237 to 240, 241 to 244, inclusive of volume 3 of the Records of Sidewalk Assessments, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Adopted.

The Committee on Highways. Reports ✓

✓ on an order dated July 13, for the construction of a driveway in front of the estate on Linden avenue at the entrance of Linden Circle, owned by Israel P. Rice, reported that the driveway had been constructed, said Rice having first deposited with the city treasurer a sum sufficient to meet the cost;

✓ on the petition of Aaron H. Patten for a driveway in front of his estate on Porter street, corner of Arnold court, reported an order;

✓ on petitions for street crossings from E. T. Parker and others, across Medford street to S. E. side of Tennyson street;

Henry G. P. Colson, across Highland avenue at E. side of Kinal avenue;

E. S. Sparrow and others, across Highland avenue in front of the estate #421;

James Cuthbertson and others, on Bonair street;

E. L. Decke and others, on Medford street at corner of Tennyson street.

and an order dated July 31 for the construction of a street crossing across Holland street in line with the sidewalk on the easterly side of Irving street;

reported that crossings have been constructed, as prayed for, and as authorized by said order;

✓ on an order dated July 27 for the making of a contract with S. and R. J. Lombard for the furnishing of paving blocks for the paving of Webster avenue from the Cambridge Line to the Fitchburg Railroad, at $44.00 per thousand, reported that a contract has been made as authorized by said order;

✓ on an order dated February 9, authorizing the purchase from Coleman Brothers of crushed stone to the value of $600.00, reported that the stone has been purchased as authorized by said order;

✓ on an order dated July 22d, for the purchase of a steam road roller, reported that said road roller has been purchased of the Buffalo

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Pitts Company, for the sum of $3190.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14, Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be and hereby is authorized to construct a driveway in front of the estate of Aaron H. Patten, situated on Porter street, corner of Arnold Court, when he shall have first made a deposit with the City Treasurer in a sum of money sufficient to cover the estimated cost of construction.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 15, 1898.

√ Resolves and Orders

Resolves and orders for the laying out of

Ashland street,

Charnwood Road,

and

Joy street,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 60 to 64, 68 to 74 and 76 to 80, inclusive of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen, of the City of Somerville, were

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14 Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 15, 1898.

√ Reports

The Committee on Highways, on the petitions of George Carlin and others, for the laying out of Adrian street, Duncan A. McLean and others and Susie L. Doyle, for the laying out of Lowell street from Highland avenue to Crown street, and Edward Scanlon and others, for the laying out of Marion street, presented favorable reports, as recorded, respectively, on pages 81, 89 and 97 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen

of the City of Somerville.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14, Accepted in concurrence.

Accompanying the foregoing reports were orders of notice of hearings on the laying out of — Orders of Notice ✓

Adrian street,

Lowell street,

and

Marion street,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 89, 90 and 95 of volume 8 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 15, 1895.

The Committee on Public Property reported that in pursuance of an order dated July 18, the lot of land on the northerly side of Washington street, near Dane street, known as the Flagg estate, has been purchased, with the buildings thereon, for the sum of $9,216.00, and submitted plans prepared by Prescott and Sidebottom, architects, for the erection thereon of a six-room brick schoolhouse, and presented an order. — Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14. Accepted in concurrence.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the plans and specifications prepared by Prescott and Sidebottom, Architects, and submitted by the Committee on Public Property this morning, for the erection of a six-room brick schoolhouse to be located on the lot of land recently purchased by the city on the northerly side of Washington street near Dane street, be, and the same hereby are, adopted, and the Committee on Public Property is hereby authorized to solicit proposals for the construction of the said schoolhouse, in accordance with the

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said plans and specifications adopted herewith.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 15, 1898.

√ Order

Alderman Cummings offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Public Property be and it hereby is authorized to dispose of the buildings now standing on the city's land on Washington street, near Dane street, in Ward two; the amounts so received to be credited to Schoolhouse, Ward two account.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 15, 1898.

√ Reports

The Committee on Fuel and Street Lights,

on an order dated July 22 d. for the making of a contract with the Welsbach Street Lighting Company, for the furnishing, for three years, of 117 Welsbach Street Lights of 60 candle power each, at a cost to the city of not more than $30.00 per light per year, reported that a contract has been made, as authorized by said order, for the sum of $30.00 per light per year.

on an order dated January 26 th. to permit the Welsbach Street Lighting Company to place, as an experiment, such number of their lights as may seem expedient in any streets of the city, reported that lights were placed by said company at its own expense in Marshall street, Webster avenue, Westwood Road and Park street.

on an order dated July 13, to move the arc light located at the corner of Bond and Jaques street to the westerly corner of Sycamore street and Broadway, reported that the location of said light had been changed as directed by said order.

on an order approved April 22, for the maintenance at the expense of the city, of the incandescent light located in Spring Hill Terrace, reported that the cost of maintaining said light had

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been assumed by the Street Lights Department, as authorized by said order;

on sundry petitions for the placing of arc and incandescent electric lights and Welsbach gas lights in the streets, being all of such petitions that have been referred to the Committee, and upon which reports have not as yet been made, reported an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept 14. Accepted in concurrence.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights be, and they hereby are, authorized and instructed to locate Welsbach street lights, as follows:—

Ash avenue, E side, S. corner East Albion street,
do. N.W. side, front of #26,
Allen street, N.W. side, corner Charlestown street,
Alpine street, N. side, corner Princeton street,
Avon street, N.E. side, front of estate #59,
do. N.E. side, front of estate #33,
do. S.W. side, opposite estate #41,
do. S.W. side, 250 feet from Central street,
Banks street, W. side, 200 feet from Elm street,
do. E. side, 200 feet from Summer street,
do. W. side opposite #63,
Benton Road, opposite Gibbens street,
Bonair street, E. side, N.W. corner Autumn street,
Boston street, N.W. side, at rear Pope school lot,
Bradley street, N.E. side, 100 feet southerly from Walter street,
do. S.W. side, N.W. corner Veazie street,
do. N.E. side, opposite #11,
Broadway, N. side, front of estate #547,
Browning Road, S.W. side, at bend in road, 300 feet from Sycamore St,
do. N.E. side, 100 feet from Sycamore street,

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Bunning Road, N. W. side, at bend in road, 150 feet from Central St.
Cedar street, W. side, opposite estate #4,
Centre street, E. side, opposite Woodbine street,
Charlestown street, midway between Linden and Merriam streets,
Charmwood Road, S. W. side, 225 feet from Willow avenue,
do. N. E. side, 225 feet west from Gordonia Road,
do. S. W. side, opposite #25,
Craigie street, N. side, front of estate #47,
Crescent street, E. side, opposite estate #22,
Dickinson street, N. side, front of #9,
Earle street, E. side, at end of street,
do. W. side, about 105 feet from South street,
East Albion street, N. E. side, W. corner Fremont street,
do. S. W. side, E. corner Moreland street,
Elm street, N. E. side, opposite White street,
Elmwood street, W. side, opposite #51,
Farragut avenue, W. side, front of #17,
do. W. side, front of second house from end of street,
Fenwick street, N. E. side, 65 feet south from Heath street,
Foskett street, N. E. side, W. corner Bay State Avenue,
do. S. W. side, front of estate #9,
Francis street, N. E. side, corner Bonwell street,
do. S. W. corner Porter street,
Freeman street, within 50 feet of steps,
Gibbens street, S. W. side, opposite #16,
do. N. E. side, near Central street,
Garfield avenue, N. W. side, about 175 feet from Broadway,
Gilman street, N. E. side, in front of #37,
Gilman Terrace, S. E. side, in front of #7,
do. N. W. side, in front of #20,
Heath street, N. E. side, N. W. corner Mt. Lemon avenue,
do. S. W. side, in front of #102,
Horace street, at railroad, N. E. corner,
do. E. side, corner Ward street,
Abbotsford street, E. side, 150 feet north from Somerville avenue,
do. E. side, 450 feet north from Somerville avenue,

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Charlestown street, W. side, 300 feet north from Somerville avenue,
Lowell street, S. W. corner Dominion court,
Kensington avenue, N. W. side, 300 feet from Broadway,
Kent street, at northerly end of subway,
do. at southerly end of subway,
Leland street, E. side, 50 feet from Washington street,
do. W. side, front of estate #15,
Leslie avenue, N. E. corner Highland avenue,
do. N. E. side, opposite #10,
London avenue, W. side, front of estate #10,
do. W. side, front of estate #18,
do. E. side, front of estate, #29,
London street, N. W. side, midway between Somerville Ave. & Charlestown street,
Liberty avenue, E. side, opposite Hall avenue,
London street, N. W. side front of #13,
do. N. W. side, front of #20,
do. S. E. side, front of #25,
Loring street, E. side, front of #9,
do. W. side, front of #22,
Lowell street, E. side, opposite Brown street,
do. W. side, S. corner Beaston avenue,
do. E. side, 300 feet north from Brown street,
do. W. side, 150 feet north from Highland avenue,
Mansfield street, N. E. side, front of #45,
Meacham street, E. side, corner Leslie avenue,
do. E. side, E. corner Morland street,
Melvin street, N. W. side, at crest of hill,
Merriam street, N. W. side, front of #19,
do. S. E. side, corner Charlestown street,
Morland street, N. W. side, 300 feet southerly from Meacham street,
Newton street, S. E. side, opposite Lowell street,
Olive avenue, N. E. side, 100 feet from London avenue,
Pearl Terrace, N. W. side, front of #2,
Pembroke street, N. E. side, N. corner Tennyson street,
Porter street, E. side, opposite Mountain avenue,

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Porter street, W. side, opposite Spruston avenue,
Prospect street, S. side, front of #105,
do S. side, front of #114,
do W. side, front of #107,
Rush street, S. side, front of #10,
Sacramento street, at northerly end of subway,
do at southerly end of subway,
South street, S. side, corner Water street,
do N. side, S.W. corner Horace street,
Stone avenue, N.E. side, 150 feet from Union Square,
do N.E. side, 350 feet from Columbus avenue,
do S.W. side, opposite Stone avenue court,
do S.W. side, 150 feet from Columbus avenue,
Sycamore street, N.W. side S. corner Pembroke street,
do S.E. side, at hollow between Montrose St. and Richdale avenue,
Trull street, N.W. side, front of #46,
Walter street, N.E. side, opposite Walter place,
Water street, S.E. side, at railroad,
West street, E. side, 100 feet north from Broadway,
Westwood Road, N.E. side, 100 feet from Central street,
do N.E. side, 100 feet from Benton Road,
do S.W. side, 350 feet from Central street,
Whitehall street, N.W. side, in front of #15,
Wigglesworth street, N.W. side, front of #22,
do S.E. side, corner Pearl street,
Willow avenue, W. side, S. corner Tyler street.

Read twice, and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14, Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 15, 1898.

√ Order

Alderman Bell offered the following order:

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights be, and hereby is requested to consider the advisability of placing one arc light on

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the summit of Prospect Tufts Park.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 15, 1898.

The Committee on Printing, per order dated April 30th, for the printing of 100 copies of each of the 17 precinct lists of persons polls, compiled by the Board of Assessors, for the year 1898, with 20 additional copies of the whole bound in half leather, for the use of the Assessors, and the Registrars of Voters, reported that said street lists have been procured from the Somerville Journal Company at a cost of $620.00 — Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14. Accepted in concurrence.

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered: —

That for the purpose of providing for the payment of the current expenses of the city, a temporary loan in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year be procured, and the City Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow, from time to time, a sum or sums in the aggregate amounting to one hundred thousand dollars, and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the city therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made, with interest thereon.

The paid debt or debts incurred by a loan or loans to the city under this order, are to be paid from the paid taxes of the present municipal year.

Received its first reading, and, under a suspension of the rules its second reading and final passage by unanimous yea and nay vote; Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14. Received its first reading and under a suspension of the rules, its second reading and final passage by unanimous yea and nay vote, in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 15, 1898.

On motion of Alderman Dowlin, it was voted that the order offered July 30th, for the granting of locations for tracks to the West — Order ✓

Cross Street Railway Company in Bow and Summer streets, be taken from the table; the said order being recorded on page 245 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways and Moving Buildings of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

On motion of Alderman Darlow, it was voted that the order be amended by striking out the following words:- "entire street from curb to curb, throughout the entire length of each and every turnout or section of double track to be laid in said Summer street, shall be paved, and that in the remaining portions of the streets in which locations are hereby granted;" as thus amended the order was adopted.

The President, Alderman Ball, presiding.

√ Order

Alderman Cummings offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to place two Welsbach street lights on Cutter avenue, and one additional Welsbach street light on Melvin street, the expense so incurred to be charged to Street Lights account

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 14. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 15, 1895.

Adjourned.

Attest.

George S. Vincent

Clerk.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville, Sept. 21, 1895 - 5 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved.

On the petition of John H. Cummings, janitor of the Unitarian Church, Highland avenue, for appointment as a special police, without compensation, received and referred to the Mayor at the last meeting of the board, the Chief of Police having since that meeting approved the petition, His Honor, the Mayor, appointed, subject to confirmation by the board, the said John H. Cummings a special police without compensation. — Appointment ✓
Rules suspended and appointment confirmed.

Received the report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for the month of August. — Report ✓
Read and sent down for information.
In Common Council, Sept. 22 Read for information.

Received petitions, - each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee - that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors:- — Petitions ✓
Choate Day, Perley Day, Perley C. Hill, Arthur B. Walsh and Walter A. Watkins, all approved by the Chief of Police.
Licenses granted.

Received, a petition from Charles Maguire, of 22 Hyatt street, for a license to give a concert and dance in Union Hall, Bow street, Monday evening, October 3d, approved by the Chief of Police. — Petition ✓
License granted.

Received petitions from,- — Petitions ✓
Austin H. Goldthwait, for a license as a common victualler at 44 Broadway

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Mrs. Teresa Ronee, for a license as a common victualler at #683 Somerville Ave.
John Tims, for a license as a common victualler at #502 Somerville avenue
Referred to Committee on Licenses

√ Petition

Received a petition from Michael J. Fitzpatrick, for permission to move a wooden building measuring 21 feet in length, 13 feet in breadth, and 13 feet in extreme height, from land of one Draper on the westerly side of Newton street, near Prospect street, through Prospect street, Somerville avenue, Union square and Washington street to land of said Fitzpatrick on the northerly side of Washington street near Union square, certified by the Superintendent of Streets and the Superintendent of Electric Lines that the statement as to construction and measurement is substantially correct and, in their opinion, the proposed removal can be made without injury to public or private property.

Referred to Committee on Highways. Later in the evening, reference to committee reconsidered and petition placed on file.

√ Waiver of Notice

Received from The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts, a waiver of notice of hearing in the matter of certain necessary changes in the location of its poles on Russell street, near the Cambridge Line, the proposed locations to be as designated by red dots on the plan dated September 8, 1898, accompanying the petition.

Referred to Committee on Highways

√ Petitions

Received petitions from:-

Osmon D. Baker and others, for a brick sidewalk on the northwesterly side of Day street.

Elmer E. Archibald and others, for a brick sidewalk, with edgestones, on Elm street, from Davenport street to Saginaw avenue.

John E. Boyden and others, for curbstones on the northwesterly side of Gorham street, from Holland street to Howard street.

Referred to Committee on Highways

√ Petition

Received a petition from Timothy F. Crimmings and others, for the laying out of Maple street, from Poplar street to Medford street.

Referred to Committee on Highways, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council Sept. 22, Reference concurred in.

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The Committee on Licenses, — Report ✓

on petition for licenses as common victuallers from Martin O'Donnell, at 543 Somerville avenue, and Arthur H. Pearson, at 304 Broadway, reported an order.

on the petition of Bernard Gouston, that his petition for a license to keep a junk store at rear of 64 Webster avenue, may be amended by changing the designated location of the store to rear of 92 Webster avenue, reported leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows: — Order ✓

Ordered: —

That a license as a common victualler, under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to each of the following-named parties, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said licenses to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
Martin O'Donnell	543 Somerville avenue.
Arthur H. Pearson	304 Broadway

Adopted.

Alderman Darlin offered an order granting permission to Michael J. Fitzpatrick to move a wooden building from Newton street near Prospect street, to Washington street near Union square, as recorded on page 502 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles, Wires, Street Railways, and Moving Buildings, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. — Order ✓

Adopted

Alderman Darlin offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered: — Agreement filed Oct. 11, 1895

That a permit be issued to the Cambridge Gas Light Company to lay new gas mains in Elm street, Davis square and Holland street, from Cheetham street to a point near the northwesterly line of Paulina street, as indicated on plan filed with the city clerk September 14, 1895, — in

Kidder avenue, from a point about 300 feet west of Liberty avenue to Liberty avenue; and in Hall avenue from Liberty avenue westerly about fifty feet, as indicated on plans filed with the city clerk this day; – and in Cedar and Albion streets, from the southwesterly line of Holden street to a point about 150 feet east of Lowell street, as indicated on plans filed with the city clerk this day; all of said plans being deposited in the office of the city engineer.

Such permit shall not issue until the said company shall have first filed with the city clerk an agreement in writing, satisfactory to the city solicitor, to restore the streets in which said gas mains are to be laid to good condition satisfactory to the committee on highways and the superintendent of streets, as the work progresses, and within two days after said mains are laid in any given portion of a street, and to save the city harmless from all liability for damage by reason of the laying of said mains and to reimburse the city for any expense which it may incur on account of the laying thereof, and for such further protection of the interests of the city as the city solicitor may deem advisable.

Adopted.

✓ Order

Alderman Lamont offered an order for the construction of a common sewer, for house drainage only, in Somerville avenue from the Metropolitan sewer at Opelon street to Prospect street, as recorded on page 674 of volume 1 of the Records of the Taking of Land For an Order to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor Sept. 21, 1898.

✓ Report

The Committee on Highways, on the petition of George A. Richardson and others for the laying out of Bixby street, from Pearl street to the southwesterly line of the estate of Adelbert B. Carpenter, submitted a favorable report, as recorded on page 105 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 22. Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Order of Notice

Accompanying the foregoing report was an order of notice of a hearing on the laying out of Bixby street, as recorded on page 106 of volume

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3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 22. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 23, 1898.

Alderman Holmes offered the following resolution, - Resolution ✓

Resolved: -

That it is expedient that the City of Somerville shall exercise the authority conferred in section one of chapter 370 of the Acts of the General Court of Massachusetts of the year 1891, entitled "An Act to enable Cities and Towns to Manufacture and Distribute Gas and Electricity by the construction, purchase, lease or establishment, and maintenance of one or more plants for the manufacture and distribution of electricity as therein set forth.

Read once and laid on the table.

On motion of Alderman Quelin, it was voted that the vote passed September 14, adopting an order granting to the West End Street Railway Company locations for tracks in Bow and Summer streets, be reconsidered. Order ✓

On motion of Alderman Quelin, it was voted that the order be amended by inserting after the words "in good condition by said company" the following words, - in so far as alterations and repairs in said streets may, in the judgment of the superintendent of streets, be necessary in consequence of the removal or laying of tracks as herein authorized, said alterations and repairs to be done.

As thus amended, adopted.

Adjourned.

Attest,

George S. Vincent

Clerk.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen, City Hall, Somerville, Sept. 25, 1895 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Berry, presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Durkin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved.

√ Recommendation — Received from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department a recommendation that Joseph Lord, a member of Engine Company No. 2, be discharged from the fire department as he has left the city and his present whereabouts are unknown to the Chief Engineer.
Discharge as recommended made by the Mayor and confirmed by the Board of Aldermen.

√ Recommendation — Received from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, a recommendation that the following-named persons be appointed call members of Engine Company No. 2.-
Frederick H. Kimball, age, 32 years; occupation, millwright;
Charles A. Garland, age, 27 years, occupation, coal dealer.
Referred to the Mayor.

√ Petition — Received from the Common Council, a petition from Fred H. Quimby that two electric lights be placed on Electric avenue, one at the corner of Westminster street and the other at the corner of Packard avenue.
In Common Council, Sept. 14. Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights and sent up for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen, Sept. 25. Reference concurred in.

√ Order — Received from the Common Council the following order,-
Ordered:-
That the joint special committee appointed April 27, 1895, to confer with the officials of the Boston and Maine Railroad Corp. in relation to the matter of placing a flagman at the Broadway street crossing or for the construction of a bridge over or a subway

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under the tracks at said crossing, be and hereby is instructed to procure an estimate of the cost of abolishing said grade crossing by carrying the street under the tracks of said railroad and to ascertain what portion of said cost will be borne by the said railroad company.

(signed) Isaac M. King.

In Common Council, Sept. 14, 1895. Adopted, and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, Sept. 25. Adopted in concurrence.

Presented to the Mayor, Sept. 29.

Received a proclamation made by His Excellency, Roger Wolcott, Governor of the Commonwealth, establishing the Massachusetts Hospital for Consumptives and Tubercular Patients. — Proclamation ✓

Placed on file.

Received a petition from Charles H. Colgate, agent of the Board of Commissioners of Prisons in the Commonwealth, for appointment as a constable for the purpose of performing special duties in criminal cases connected with his position as such agent. — Petition ✓

Referred to the Mayor.

Received petitions, - each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, - that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors, - — Petitions ✓

Alfred L. De Moyer, Eric H. Kindlund and Edward E. Mansfield, all approved by the Chief of Police

Licenses granted.

Received a petition from Irving C. Kennett, for a license to keep 15 horses in a wooden stable to be erected on land of Franklin A. Reed, situated on the northwesterly side of Garfield avenue about 60 feet southwesterly from Middlesex avenue. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

Received petitions from, - — Petitions ✓

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Luke Libby and others for a catch-basin on the northerly side of Dane avenue,
Annie L. Fletcher and others for a common sewer in Tennyson street from the end of the private sewer in front of the estate numbered 14, southerly about 150 feet.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

√ Notice. Received a notice from William A. Brancroft, Vice President Boston Elevated Railway Company, addressed to the City Clerk, as follows: I am authorized to notify you that the location granted by the Board of Aldermen of Somerville, on Bow and Summer streets, dated September 21st current, is not accepted by the West End Street Railway Company.

Placed on file.

√ Petition. Received a petition from D. W. Sanborn, General Superintendent Boston and Maine Railroad for permission to string a telephone wire over buildings from a point near the old Asylum grounds, on Washington street, up Florence street to house number 39, for railroad purposes.

Referred to Committee on Highways.

√ Petitions. Received petitions from:-

E. G. Huse, for the lowering of the edgestone so as to form a driveway in front of his estate, 31 Tennyson street, at the expense of the petitioner;

James H. Maguire and others, that Partridge avenue, between Medford and Vernon streets, be repaired and put in good condition;

C. F. William Thiesfeldt and others, that Cypress street be graded and curbstones and sidewalks provided therein as soon as possible;

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 29. References concurred in.

√ Petition. Received a petition from Alexander H. Sproule and others, that a light be located on Partridge avenue opposite No. 55.

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 29. Reference concurred in.

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Received a notice from Abigail Snow, that on the morning of Tuesday, Sept. 6, 1895, between 7.30 & 7.45 o'clock, while travelling on the northeast sidewalk of Summer Street in front of the building number 20, she fell over an obstruction on the sidewalk consisting of an unlighted pile of bricks, and received severe injuries to her right knee, and that she holds the City of Somerville responsible for said injuries and demands compensation for the same.
(Received by the City Clerk, Sept. 25)

Notice ✓
claim, personal injuries

Referred to Committee on Claims and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 29. Reference concurred in.

Received a notice from the County Commissioners, that said Commissioners will meet at the Court House in Cambridge, Wednesday, October 26th, 1895, at 9½ o'clock A. M. for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties interested in the petition of the Boston & Lowell Railroad Corporation, by its lease the Boston and Maine Railroad, by H. Brault, its Chief Engineer, for the amendment of an order passed by the County Commissioners February 17, 1887, in the matter of the alteration of certain bridges in Somerville and Medford, as follows:-

Notice ✓

1. That the second paragraph under the heading "School Street Bridge" in said order shall be altered whereby the clear headroom over the top of the rail nearest the easterly abutment shall be sixteen feet and one inch (16'-1") instead of seventeen and five tenths (17.5) feet, so that the decree shall read "the top of the planking of the roadway not to exceed eighteen feet seven inches (18'-7") above the top of the rail nearest the easterly abutment, and the bottom of the bridge to be not less than sixteen feet and one inch (16'-1") above the top of said rail."

2. That that part of the third paragraph which provides that the faces of the abutments shall be each (31) feet at right angles from the center line of said railroad, shall be changed so as to read as follows:- "that the face of the easterly abutment shall be thirty seven (37) feet from the said center line of said Railroad, and the face of the westerly abutment twenty five (25) feet from the center line of said Railroad."

Placed in hands of City Solicitor and sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, Sept 29. Placed in hands of City Solicitor in concurrence.

√ Petition

Received a petition from Thomas Aldham, for permission to move a wooden stable, measuring 18 feet in length, 18 feet in breadth and 22 feet in extreme height, from land of Henry Burmann on the easterly side of Clarendon avenue near Newbury street, across Clarendon avenue to land of said Aldham on the westerly side of said avenue near the Cambridge Alms house; certified by the Superintendent of Streets and the Superintendent of Electric Lines that the statement as to construction and measurement is substantially correct and in their opinion, the proposed removal can be made without injury to public or private property.

Placed on file.

√ Order

Alderman Huntley offered an order granting permission to Thomas Aldham to move a wooden stable across Clarendon avenue, as recorded on page 523 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways and Moving Buildings of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Adopted.

√ Report

The Committee on Public Property, on an order dated September 14, to secure polling places for the elections to be held in the several voting precincts of the city, November 8th and December 6th of the current year, and to report a list of such polling places, reported an order.

Accepted.

√ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:-

Ordered:-

That polling places for the elections to be held in the several voting precincts of the city November 8th and December 6th be, and they hereby are, designated as follows:-

For Ward 1, Precinct 1.

The ward room in the Prescott schoolhouse on Pearl street.

For Ward 1, Precinct 2.

A room in the Sanford Hanscom schoolhouse on Webster street.

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For Ward 1, Precinct 3.

A room in the Davis schoolhouse on Tufts street.

For Ward 1, Precinct 4.

A room in the Jackson schoolhouse on Maple street, at the corner of Poplar street.

For Ward 2, Precinct 1.

A room in the Luther B. Bell schoolhouse on Broad avenue.

For Ward 2, Precinct 2.

The hall in the Police Building on Pow street.

For Ward 2, Precinct 3.

Eberle lower Hall in Union square.

For Ward 2, Precinct 4.

A room in the O. J. Knapp schoolhouse on Concord avenue.

For Ward 2, Precinct 5.

A room in the Prospect Hill schoolhouse on Washington street, at the corner of Prince avenue; there being no convenient polling place which can be obtained within the territorial limits of said precinct.

For Ward 3, Precinct 1.

A room in the Edgerly schoolhouse on Bow street.

For Ward 3, Precinct 2.

A room in the Jacob T. Kline schoolhouse on Jaques street.

For Ward 3, Precinct 3.

A room in the Forster schoolhouse on Sycamore street.

For Ward 3, Precinct 4.

A room in the Bingham schoolhouse on Lowell street.

For Ward 4, Precinct 1.

A room in the Martin H. Carr schoolhouse on Beach street.

For Ward 4, Precinct 2.

A room in the Burns schoolhouse on Cherry street.

For Ward 4, Precinct 3.

A room in the Highland schoolhouse on Highland avenue, at the corner of Grove street.

For Ward 4, Precinct 4.

A room in the William H. Hodgkins schoolhouse on Holland street.

And the City Clerk is hereby directed to cause printed descrip-

tions of said polling places to be posted in at least ten public places in each of the said precincts, agreeably to the provisions of section 153, of Chapter 548, of the Acts of the Legislature of 1895.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 29, 1895.

✓ Report — The Committee on Special Building Permits, on the petition of J. F. Hollington for permission to keep 10 horses in a stable to be erected on his land on Union square, in rear of his coal yard, reported an order.

Accepted.

✓ Order — The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,-

Ordered:-

That a License be, and hereby is granted to J. F. Hollington to keep ten horses in the stable to be erected by him on his land situated on the northerly side of Union Square, in rear of coal yard, in this city, the said license being revocable at the pleasure of this board.

Adopted.

✓ Order — Alderman Darling offered an order granting locations to the West End Street Railway Company, for tracks in Bow and Summer streets, similar to the order passed at the last meeting except that the following words were stricken out, namely:- "which are not hereby required to be kept in good condition by said company in so far as alterations and repairs on said streets may, in the judgment of the superintendent of streets, be necessary in consequence of the removal or laying of tracks as herein authorized, said alterations and repairs to be done", and the following words substituted:- "disturbed by said removal restored to good condition by said company."

Action postponed until the next regular meeting.

✓ Order — Alderman Lapham offered an order for the construction of sidewalks in Highland avenue, as recorded in page 147 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 29, 1895.

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The Committee on Highways, — Reports ✓

on the petition of the Cambridge Gas Light Company for permission to lay gas mains in sundry streets, reported that permission was granted by the Board of Aldermen, Sept. 24th to lay mains in Elm street, Davis square, Holland street, Kidder avenue and Hall avenue.

on waivers of notice from the The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts in the matter of hearings on proposed changes of locations of poles in Summer and Russell streets, reported an order.

Accepted.

The order submitted with the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered: —

That (The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts having been given opportunity to be heard in regard to the alterations and changes in the location of certain poles of said company on Summer street and Russell street, as hereinafter referred to, and said company having waived notice, as appears by its waivers in writing, hereto annexed, of a hearing in the matter of said alterations and changes) the following described alterations and changes in the location and erection of poles of the said company shall be made and is hereby ordered, namely, referring to the plan, filed with the City Clerk, entitled: "The New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. of Massachusetts, Relocation for Pole, Somerville, Mass. Boston, Aug. 24, 1895," the pole located in Summer street at the southwesterly corner of Banks street, indicated on said plan by the black dot marked "Remove," is to be removed, and the location of one pole in Summer street at the southwesterly corner of Banks street, to be erected as a substitute for said removed pole, shall conform to its location as shown on said plan, on which such location is indicated by a red dot; — the plan entitled "The New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. of Massachusetts, Relocation for Pole, Somerville, Mass. Boston, June 23, 1895," five poles located on the southwesterly side of Summer street, between Craigie street and Linden avenue, indicated on said plan by the black dots marked "Remove," are to be removed, and the location of five poles in the southwesterly side of Summer street, between Craigie street and Linden avenue,

to be erected as substitutes for said removed poles, shall conform to the locations shown on said plan, on which such locations are indicated by red dots; and the plan entitled "The New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. of Massachusetts. Relocation for Poles, Somerville, Mass. Boston, Sept. 9, 1895," two poles located on the southwesterly side of Russell street, between Orchard street and Cottage avenue, indicated on said plan by the black dots marked "Remove," are to be removed, and the location of five poles on the southwesterly side of Russell street, between Orchard street and Cottage avenue, to be erected as substitutes for said removed poles, shall conform to the locations shown on said plan, on which such locations are indicated by red dots.

Said alterations and changes are to be made by said company without unnecessary delay, and at its expense; the said new poles are to conform in material, construction and appearance to the lines of poles in Summer street and Russell street of which they will form a part, and before being erected are to be approved by the Superintendent of Electric Lines and shall be erected under the supervision and direction of said superintendent; and said poles shall be subject to, and shall be erected and maintained by said Company subject to all the provisions, terms and conditions, under which the said removed poles on the lines of poles in Summer street and Russell street, of which the said poles to be erected will form a part, were or are erected, constructed or maintained.

The changes of said old poles for said new poles shall be completed within thirty days from the date hereof.

Adopted.

Waiver of Notice

The waiver of notice accompanying the foregoing order, are as follows:-

Boston June 29, 1895.

To the Board of Aldermen of the
City of Somerville, Mass.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts hereby waives notice of hearing in the matter of certain necessary changes in the locations of its poles on Summer street, between Craigie street and Linden avenue. The proposed locations to be as designated by red dots on plan dated June 28rd, 1895.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts

By

Wednesday, September 28, 1895

Jasper A. Keller
General Manager
Boston, Aug. 30, 1895

To the Board of Aldermen of the
City of Somerville, Mass.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts hereby waives notice of hearing in the matter of certain necessary changes in the location of its pole on Summer Street at the corner of Banks street. The proposed location to be as designated by a red dot on plan dated Aug. 24, 1895 attached.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts
By
Jasper A. Keller,
General Manager
Boston, Sept. 15, 1895

To the Board of Aldermen of the
City of Somerville, Mass.

The New England Telephone, and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts hereby waives notice of hearing in the matter of certain necessary changes in the location of its poles on Russell St. near the Cambridge line. The proposed locations to be as designated by red dots on plan dated Sept. 9, 1895, attached.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts,
By
Jasper A. Keller,
General Manager

The Committee on Highways, on the petition of L. A. Hood and for the construction of a driveway in front of his estate No. 126 Central street, at his expense, reported an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 19. Accepted in concurrence.

Report ✓

The order, accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:-

Order ✓

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Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and they hereby are authorized to construct a driveway in front of the estate of E. A. Goodward, No. 126 Central street, when he shall have first made a deposit with the City Treasurer, of a sum of money sufficient to cover the estimated cost of construction.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 29. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 30, 1898.

√ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the grade of the curbstone on the northeasterly side of Montrose street, at and near School street, in front of the estates owned respectively by Ellen B. Desmond, Daniel G. Desmond and George E. Loss, be, and it hereby is changed and established to conform to a yellow line on plan entitled "Montrose street for Acceptance," made by George A. Kimball, Civil Engineer, dated October 22, 1890, with grade line in yellow added by Ernest H. Bailey, City Engineer, September 28, 1898, which plan is on file in the City Engineer's office, and the Committee on Highways is hereby instructed to perform whatever work may be necessary to adapt to such change of grade that portion of Montrose street which may be affected thereby, the expense incurred to be charged to Highways account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 29. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 30, 1898.

√ Order

Alderman Cummings offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be and it hereby is, authorized to exchange two roll top desks in the Clerk of Committee's office in the City Hall, at an expense not exceeding one hundred dollars; the expense so incurred to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 29. Read twice and adopted in

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concurrence.

Presented to the Mayor, Sept. 00, 1895.

The Committee on Finance, on the petition of the Lowville Volunteer Ladies' Aid Society that an appropriation be made for the aid of the needy families of soldiers, reported leave to withdraw, as the City Council cannot lawfully make such appropriation. — Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 29, Accepted in concurrence.

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:

That the Committee on Ordinance be requested to report an ordinance to provide the necessary and proper assistance to the City Solicitor in the preparation and trial of cases in which the city is interested.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Sept. 29. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 30, 1895.

On motion of Alderman Lamont, it was voted that the resolution which was read once and laid on the table September 21, that it is expedient that the city exercise the authority conferred in section 1 of chapter 370 of the Acts of 1891, to establish one or more plants for the manufacture and distribution of electricity, be taken from the table. — Resolution ✓

On motion of Alderman Kilmer it was voted that further action be postponed until the next regular meeting.

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:

That from and after this date the regular meetings of this board be held on the second and fourth Wednesday evenings of each month at eight o'clock, until otherwise ordered.

Adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 30, 1895.

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Adjourned

Attest,

George B. Vincent

Clerk

Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen, called by the Mayor to draw jurors, and to transact any other business that might come before the board, all the members of the board having been duly notified in writing.—

City Hall, Somerville, October 3rd, 1898 - 7 P.M.

The President, Alderman Ball, presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.

Records approved.

Received venires for the drawing of jurors as follows:— Jurors ✓

Three men to serve as traverse jurors at the Superior Court now in session at Cambridge, the men drawn to be summoned to appear and attend said court, Tuesday, October 4th, 1898, at 10 o'clock A. M.

By direction of the President, the City Messenger passed the box to Alderman Lapham, who drew therefrom, and read aloud the names of

Charles Orton, 60 Cross St., now residing at 150 Flint street, Paper Hanger.
Horace D. Jerauld, 14 Chester avenue, No occupation.
Michael O'Connell, 35 Linwood street, Grocer.

Three men to serve as traverse jurors at the Supreme Judicial Court to be holden at Cambridge on the 3rd Tuesday of October current, the men drawn to appear and attend said court, Tuesday October 18th, 1898, at 10 o'clock P. M.

By direction of the President, the City Messenger passed the box to Alderman Darlin, who drew therefrom and read aloud the names of

Augustus B. Ryam, 7 Melvin street, Soap Manufacturer,
Chetham Parks, 8 Richmond Highlands, No occupation,
Andrew A. Walker, 1 Benedict street, Teamster.

Three men to serve as traverse jurors at the Superior Court to be holden at Lowell on the 3rd Monday of October current, the men drawn to appear and attend said court, Monday, October

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24th 1898 at 10 o'clock A.M.

By direction of the President, the City Messenger passed the box to Alderman Lamont, who drew therefrom and read aloud the names of

Charles H. Timson, Rose House, Marshall street, Clerk,
Willard F. Osgood, 41 Heath street, Clerk,
Alfred T. Nash, 232 Elm street, Receiving Clerk,

All of the slips bearing the names drawn as above stated were passed by the messenger to the president, who verified the names by reading them aloud from said slips which were then passed to the city clerk, who also read the names aloud therefrom and after endorsing the slips returned them to the proper compartment of the jury box.

√ Drain Layer's Bond

Received a drain layer's bond, in the sum of One thousand dollars and in the form that has been approved by the City Solicitor, from Alfred A. Sibley, with Lambert M. Maynard, as surety.

Accepted and approved.

Adjourned.

Attest,

George S. Vincent
Clerk

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville, Oct 12, 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry, presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings, and Ball present.
Records approved.

In pursuance of orders approved September 15, hearings were given for all persons desiring to object to the construction of sidewalks in,

Hearings ✓

Harrison street,
Heath street,
Jenny Lind avenue,
School street,
Trull street,
and
Westwood Road,

all parties interested having been duly notified as appears by the officer's returns recorded, respectively, on pages 125, 128, 131, 134, 137 and 140 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks, - Hearings and Construction - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

In the Harrison street hearing, Bridget Cantillon appeared and objected because of the expense.

In the Heath street hearing, William Franklin Hall, in behalf of the Heirs of Mary Longmaid; Winslow A. Parson, in behalf of Laura A. Parsons - Ellsworth Fish, in behalf of Sarah B. Fish - and Doctor J. B. Briggs, in behalf of the Evangelical Society - appeared and objected because of the expense. It was said that none of the abutters desired the proposed sidewalk, and the greater part of the abutting property is as yet unimproved.

In the School street hearing, Mrs. Almira Fitch, and Mr. Edgar M. Young, in behalf of the estate of Thomas Young - appeared and objected because of the expense.

In the Trull street hearing, Mary J. Fuller and Ellen G. Griffiths appeared and objected because of the expense.

In the Westwood Road hearing Councilman T. P. Burrows appeared in behalf of his wife, Lucy B. Burrows, and objected because Mrs.

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Burrows intends to build on her lot in the spring and the digging for the laying of water, gas and drain pipes and the carting of earth and building materials would so damage the sidewalk that it would have to be relaid and she did not wish to be burdened with this double expense.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearings were closed.

√ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That a message be sent to the common council requesting a convention of the two branches of the city council in the Common Council Chamber this evening, for the purpose of giving hearings to all persons desiring to object in the matters of the laying out of

Adrian street,

Lowell street, from Highland avenue to Crown street,

and

Marion street

orders of notice of such hearings having been approved September 15, 1898

Adopted, and Alderman Lapham appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council.

In Common Council, Oct. 12. Request granted and Councilman Foster appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.

Convention

In Convention of the City Council.

His Honor, Mayor Perry, presiding

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball, President Wilson, and Councilmen Kenney, Grimmons, Thomson, Burrows, Gracey, Story, Crocker, Perry, Lord, Lincoln and Foster present.

√ Hearings

In pursuance of orders approved September 15th and an order passed this evening, hearings were given for all persons desiring to object in the matters of the laying out of

Adrian street,

Lowell street,

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and

Marion street,

all parties interested having been duly notified as appears by the officer's returns recorded, respectively, on pages 83, 91 and 99 of volume 5 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

In the Marion street hearing, Messrs. Homer C. Holt, owning property on Taunton street and Matthew C. Dowling, appeared, not to object to the laying out of the street, but to ask that the grade, which is now shown on the plan as about 17 feet above mean low water at the manhole opposite Taunton street, might be lowered at that point some nine inches and made to correspond in the rest of the street, thereby saving the abutters considerable expense for filling their lots.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearings were closed.

The purpose for which it was assembled having been accomplished, the convention was dissolved, and the Mayor and Aldermen returned to their chamber. — Convention dissolved

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In Board of Aldermen. — Board of Aldermen

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Dawlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.

Received the following veto message from His Honor, the Mayor, — Veto ✓

City of Somerville, Mass.
Mayor's Office.

October 5, 1898.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen, —

I return herewith disapproved the order which originated in your honorable board, by which the Committee on Public Property was authorized to exchange two roll-top desks in the Clerk of Committee's

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office, at an expense not exceeding one hundred dollars, the expense to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

I find, upon investigation, that the desks which would be disposed of under the order were purchased a little more than three years ago, that they are of good material and modern design, and in every way well adapted to the use to which they are now put. One of the desks appears to be in perfect working order, and the other can be placed in like condition by the expenditure of less than one dollar.

Under these circumstances, and especially in view of the urgent need of economy in general departments, I cannot approve of the expenditure of even so small a sum as one hundred dollars for new desks.

I would also remind your honorable board that the balance now remaining in Miscellaneous account is insufficient for expenditures of an absolutely necessary nature, and you will be called upon to make a transfer to that account at an early date.

Respectfully submitted,

Albion A. Perry,

Mayor

Read for information.

√ Order

On the order returned by the Mayor with the foregoing message, authorizing the Committee on Public Property to exchange two roll-top desks in the Clerk of Committee's office, in the City Hall, at an expense not exceeding one hundred dollars, to be charged to Miscellaneous account, which order was passed by this board September 25th and by the Common Council September 29th, the adoption of the order, notwithstanding the objections of the Mayor, was lost by a yea and nay vote, each of the eight aldermen voting in the negative.

√ Appointment

On the petition of Charles H. Colgate for appointment as a constable, which petition was referred to the Mayor September 25th, His Honor the Mayor appointed said Colgate a constable, subject to confirmation by the board.

Rules suspended and appointment confirmed.

√ Appointments

On the recommendation from the Chief of the Fire Department, referred to the Mayor September 25th, the Mayor appointed, subject to confirma-

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ation by the board, Frederick H. Kimball, age 32 years, occupation, millwright, and Charles T. Garland, age 37 years, occupation, coal dealer, as call member of Engine Company No. 2.

Rules suspended and appointments confirmed.

Appointment ✓

His Honor, the Mayor, appointed, subject to confirmation by the board, election officers for the year beginning November 1st, 1898, as follows,—

Ward One.

Precinct 1.

	Warden,	George F. Stodder,	R.
Deputy	"	George Wilde,	R.
	Clerk,	Abbott L. Knowles,	D.
	"	Frederick T. Baker,	D.
	Inspectors,	George H. Littlefield and William H. Hitchings,	R.
		William F. Remick and Charles H. Davis,	D.
Deputy	"	Cyrus B. Knowles and John E. Kincaid,	R.
		John F. Mills and Frank E. Remick	D.

Precinct 2.

	Warden,	Charles F. Wilder,	R.
Deputy	"	L. Edgar Timson,	R.
	Clerk	Harrington C. Lund,	D.
	"	Samuel C. Lund,	D.
	Inspectors,	Fred P. Clapp and Wm. T. Pinkham,	R.
		Alfred H. Remick and Herbert A. Cole,	D.
Deputy	"	Charles E. Crowther and Edgar H. Houghton,	R.
		William T. Patten and Charles B. Palmer,	D.

Precinct 3.

	Warden,	Edwin F. Nealley,	R.
Deputy	"	Nathan H. Reed,	R.
	Clerk,	Benjamin P. Palmer,	D.
	"	Charles H. Donohue,	D.
	Inspectors,	Walter E. Horton and Charles H. Colgate, Jr.	R.
		Frederick C. Babson and John A. Fitzpatrick,	D.
Deputy	Inspectors,	Fred A. Ashworth and Charles A. Brigham,	R.
		George F. Atherton and Maurice J. White	D.

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Precinct 4			
	Warden	William T. Carney	D
Deputy	"	William J. Coughlin	D
	Clerk	William F. S. Robinson	R
"	"	Walter C. Bailey, Jr.	R
	Inspectors	Cushing Otis and Francis H. Fay	D
		John S. McDonough and G. Ernest Griffin	R
Deputy	"	George F. Green and John H. Nugent	D
		J. Howard Colbath and Owen E. Dugan	R
		Ward Two	
Precinct 1			
	Warden	Henry A. Pitman	R
Deputy	"	S. Gardner Higgins	R
	Clerk	Charles A. Hopkins	D
"	"	Frederick J. White	D
	Inspectors	Frederic E. Wood and William T. Hayes	R
		Seth Mason and Edward J. Llewellyn	D
Deputy	"	Haywood Hartwell and Arthur W. Furlong	R
		Clifford T. White and John Chambers	D
Precinct 2			
	Warden	Charles D. Elliot	R
Deputy	"	Edward A. Bancroft	R
	Clerk	Stephen J. Collins	D
"	"	Charles H. Feeney	D
	Inspectors	Amos B. McLaughlin and Albert Gilman	R
		Cornelius J. Cahill and Leighton W. Manning	D
Deputy	"	Elton S. Sibley and Franklin E. Kendall	R
		Michael H. Tatton and Henry A. Kendall	D
Precinct 3			
	Warden	Edward B. West	D
Deputy	"	James J. Muldoon	D
	Clerk	Albert L. Haskell	R
"	"	Charles J. Elliot	R
	Inspectors	Thomas F. Muldoon and Benjamin F. Doten	D
		William Armstrong and Granville A. Walker	R

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	Deputy	Inspectors,	William Kelley and John S. McGowan,	D.
			William J. Blaisdell and William G. Walker,	A.
Precinct 4.				
		Warden,	James E. McHugh,	D.
	Deputy	"	Daniel A. Bradley,	D.
		Clerk,	Charles A. Bucknam,	A.
		"	Charles A. Gilbert,	A.
		Inspectors,	Benjamin H. Knowles and Thomas F. Jones,	D.
			William D. Bucknam and Joseph H. Moore,	A.
	Deputy	"	John J. McFarland and Thomas A. Cunningham,	D.
			Frederick A. Rogers and Henry C. Bradford,	A.
Precinct 5.				
		Warden,	William B. Plumer,	A.
	Deputy	"	Charles E. Davis,	A.
		Clerk,	J. Robert Fenelon,	D.
		"	Daniel H. Bradley,	D.
		Inspectors,	Lewis E. Case and Davis P. Bucknam,	A.
			Patrick J. Follon and James Kerrigan, Jr.	D.
	Deputy	"	Albert Fiske and George H. Patten,	A.
			Charles J. Winterbottom and Thomas F. McNamara,	D.

Ward Three.

Precinct 2.				
		Warden,	John H. Dusseault,	D.
	Deputy	"	Charles H. Frye,	D.
		Clerk,	Edgar T. Mayhew,	A.
	"	"	John J. Higgins,	A.
		Inspectors,	George H. Dodd and Cyrus H. Pierce,	D.
			Edwin A. Perham and Joseph S. Schepmoes,	A.
	Deputy	"	Charles F. Davis and James H. Chase,	D.
			Charles S. Noyes and Frederick A. Woodbury,	A.
Precinct 1.				
		Warden,	George F. Horton,	A.
	Deputy	"	Chas. E. Prichard,	A.
		Clerk,	William H. Cotter,	D.
	"	"	Michael F. Coleman,	D.

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	Inspectors,	Lesther B. Pillsbury and Charles B. Mason	R.
		J. Herbert Thompson and Henry T. Gallishaw	D.
Deputy	"	Freeman L. Lowell and Henry A. Oman	R.
		Michael J. McCarthy and Charles Orton	D.
Precinct 3.			
	Warden,	Stillman S. Studley	R.
Deputy	"	Josiah B. Hayden	R.
	Clerk	Daniel J. Kenneff	D.
"	"	Robert B. Cronin	D.
	Inspectors,	Leonard C. Spinney and James S. Lowell	R.
		William J. Harrigan and George E. Thayer	D.
Deputy	"	Milo A. Whitaker and Everett A. Maynard	R.
		Charles F. Buffum and John Shiney	D.
Precinct 4.			
	Warden	James F. Sharkey	D.
Deputy	"	William H. Money	D.
	Clerk,	William P. Jones	R.
"	"	Gerald A. Gardner	R.
	Inspectors,	Michael E. Ryan and Arthur S. Davenport	D.
		George W. Prime and William Butler	R.
Deputy	"	Charles W. Cahalan and Edward Davenport	D.
		John L. Greenough and Edward B. Coffin	R.

Ward Four.

Precinct 1.			
	Warden,	Francis H. Robinson	R.
Deputy	"	Martin Binney	R.
	Clerk,	George A. Gordon	D.
"	"	Hunthie Gordon	D.
	Inspectors,	Walter A. Chabot and Robert H. Gibby, Jr.	R.
		Edward T. O'Neil and Charles A. Kelly	D.
Deputy	"	Anson B. Tuttle and Frederic W. Gay	R.
		William G. Brown and John Keating	D.
Precinct 2.			
	Warden,	John H. Fellows	R.
Deputy	"	Charles G. Brett	R.

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		Clerk,	John M. Schroeder,	D.
	Deputy	"	John E. Lacy,	D.
		Inspectors,	Otis E. Merrifield Jr. and Wales A. Hayward,	A.
			James T. Welch and Hugh A. Jones,	D.
	Deputy	"	Edward H. Burton and Samuel Pugh,	A.
			Frederick A. Bunten and Michael J. O'Brien,	D.
Precinct 3				
		Warden,	William H. McAllister,	D.
	Deputy	"	Lewis P. Carleton,	D.
		Clerk,	Danforth S. Steele,	A.
	"	"	William A. Horton,	A.
		Inspectors,	Henry H. Fisher and Frederick K. Gifford,	D.
			D. Wallis Tucker and William H. Parker,	A.
	Deputy	"	William H. Smith and Frederick A. White,	D.
			James H. Dalton and Edward A. Goddard, Jr.	A.
Precinct 4				
		Warden,	Edgar F. Comee,	D.
	Deputy	"	Alvah E. Dearborn,	D.
		Clerk,	Elmer L. Glazier,	A.
	"	"	Franklin A. Hobart,	A.
		Inspectors,	Aura J. Trefren and Edward S. Sears,	D.
			George T. Rand and Cyrus A. Reed,	A.
	Deputy	"	Frederick F. Howe and Charles Comee,	D.
			Amasa Gray and Edward Friend,	A.

Action by the board deferred until after the expiration of not less than three nor more than ten days, as required by law.

Received a recommendation from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, that Charles B. Hill be discharged from the department (Ladder Company No. 2), at his own request. — Recommendation ✓

Discharge as recommended made by the Mayor and confirmed by the board of aldermen.

Received from the Common Council an order passed September 29, 1895, that from and after said date, the regular meetings of the common council be held on the Thursday evening following the second and fourth Wednesday — Order ✓

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of each month, at eight o'clock, until otherwise ordered.

Read for information.

√ Communication reading of premises corner of Somerville avenue and Prospect street.

Received the following communication from the Board of Water Commissioners of the city.

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To the Honorable, the Mayor, and the City Council of the City of Somerville.

The premises on Prospect St. which were granted by the City Council of 1877 to the control and use of the Water Department and which have since then been occupied for its purposes, will be vacated on Saturday, October 15th, as the shops and stable of the water works will at that time be transferred to the new building of the department erected in connection with the high service pumping station, on Cedar St. — The Commissioners desire to release to your honorable body the control of the said buildings on the above date and to deliver the keys to such person or committee as you may indicate.

George D. Wemyss,
President Board of Water Commissioners.

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council Oct. 12, Read for information.

√ Reports.

Received reports for the month of September of the

Chief of Police.

Superintendent of Electric Lines.

Placed on file.

√ Drawer Liquor Bond.

Received a drawer liquor bond, in the sum of one thousand dollars, and in the form which has been approved by the City Solicitor, said bond bearing a fifty cent U. S. revenue stamp duly cancelled, from

Dennis O. Collins, with William Monteiro as surety.

Accepted and approved.

√ Petitions.

Received petitions for licenses for entertainments from,

Somerville Volunteer Ladies' Aid Society, musical entertainment in Union Hall, October 5th.

Tufts College Foot Ball Association, for foot-ball game, on Tufts Oval, October 6th.

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Tufts College Foot Ball Association, for foot-ball game on Tufts Oval October 8th recommended by the Chief of Police, approved by the Mayor, and license issued by the City Clerk.

Issuing of licenses approved.

Received petitions, each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following named, minors,— Petitions ✓

Henry C. Bickford, Joseph J. Keefe, Philip Knapp,
George W. Martinson, and William Moses,

all approved by the Chief of Police.

Licenses granted.

Received petitions for licenses to cry their goods in the streets from— Petitions ✓

Gregor Crests, 129 Endicott street, Boston,
Thomas M. Foley, 21 Dane avenue, Somerville.

the first named petitioner holding a fifty dollar state license, both approved by the Chief of Police.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received petitions from— Petitions ✓

Oliver F. Goodspeed, for a license as a common victualler at #302 Somerville avenue.

Frank W. Robie, for a license of the 6th class to sell intoxicating liquors at his apothecary store #482 a Medford street, the requisite certificate from the State Board of Registration in Pharmacy accompanying the petition.

Edward H. Hunter, for a license as a private detective.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received a petition from James G. Marshall of #47 Irving street, Boston, for a license to play on a violin and to sing in the streets of the city. Petition ✓

On motion of Alderman Tarbox it was voted that the petitioner be given leave to withdraw.

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√ Petition

Received a petition from Charles Callahan, for permission to build and maintain projections over sidewalks as follows:— at numbers 124 to 128 A Cross street, two bay windows in second and third stories, and on Fountain avenue, one bay window in second and third stories of the same building, each to project over the sidewalk 18 inches, and the coving 9 inches in addition, making 27 inches in all.

and

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits

√ Order of Notice

Accompanying the foregoing petition was the following order of notice:—

Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered that seven days' notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday, the 26th day of October, 1898, at 8 o'clock P.M., at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, at which time any parties, who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Somerville Citizen of the 14th inst.

Adopted.

√ Petition

Received a petition from Edmund S. Sparrow, for permission to build and maintain projections over sidewalks as follows:— at #425 Highland avenue, the coving of a one-story building about 20 feet in length, forming the rear part of the store which fronts on Davis square at the corner of Highland avenue, and the coving of a bay window in the first story on the front part of said store, both to project 10 inches over the sidewalk on Highland avenue; there being already a bay window directly over said proposed bay window, the coving of which projects over the sidewalk about 20 inches.

and

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits

√ Order of Notice

Accompanying the foregoing petition was the following order of notice:—

Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered that seven days' notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday, the 26th day of October, 1898, at 8 o'clock, P.M. at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, at which time any parties, who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Somerville Journal of the 14th inst.

Adopted

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Received a petition from William A. Sanborn, for a license to keep 20 horses in a wooden stable to be erected on the southwesterly corner of Austin avenue and Austin street. — Petitions ✓

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

Received a petition from J. A. McCarthy and others, for a catch-basin at the northwesterly corner of Washington and Hanson streets. — Petitions ✓

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

Received petitions, etc. from:- — Petitions ✓

Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to replace one pole on the westerly side of Allen street, as shown on plan submitted.

Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to remove one pole on Grand View avenue, near Walnut street, as shown on plan submitted, the location of said pole to be abandoned by said company.

Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to replace two poles, one on Marshall street, westerly side, near Gilman square, and one on Crescent street, westerly side, near Washington street, both as shown on plan submitted.

Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to replace one pole on the easterly side of Hudson street at the angle, about 690 feet east of Cedar street, as shown on plan submitted, the new pole to be a round chestnut pole.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts, a waiver of notice of hearing in the matter of certain necessary changes in the location of its poles on Middlesex avenue, at the corner of Broadway, as indicated by red ink on plan submitted.

Cambridge Gas Light Company, for permission to lay their 16-inch gas main temporarily on the inside of the Beacon street bridge close up to the eastern guard rail. It was originally intended to place this pipe on the outside of the bridge and to support it by an independent truss, but owing to the contemplated erection of a new bridge next year by the Fitchburg Railroad Company it is deemed advisable by the Gas Light Company to ask for this temporary change until the new structure is built.

Edmund A. Sparrow, for permission to construct two coal holes in the side-

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walks on Highland avenue in front of and close up to the building numbered 425 on said avenue

Edwin S. Kimpton, George P. Strong, Jennie P. Strong and E. G. Humphrey, for brick sidewalks in front of their estates on Porter street

Frederick H. Crow and others, for an edgestone and paved gutter on the northwesterly side of Lowell street, from Albion street to Crown street

Referred to Committee on Highways

✓ Petitions

Received petitions from,—

Charles C. Joslin and others, that in setting edgestones on Jenny Lind avenue between Broadway and Medford street, the present city grade be so changed as to conform to the grades of the concrete walks, steps and lots as now existing, which have been constructed in conformity with grades as they now appear.

Edward Scanlon and others, that Cook street from Marion street to Hyatt street, be laid out and accepted as a public way

John O'Connell and others, that Adrian, Marion, Cook, Hyatt and Taunton streets and Hyatt place be put in proper condition before winter, the recent change of grade having made parts of them impassable in wet weather

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence

In Common Council Oct 12. Reference concurred in.

✓ Notices

Received notices of claims from,—

Abigail Snow, on account of injuries received on the northeasterly side of Summer street nearly in front of the house numbered 21 on said street, at or about between seven and eight o'clock in the evening of the 6th day of September 1898, by striking her foot against a pile of bricks, stone, or other material, on the sidewalk, of which she had no warning, and being thrown violently down. (Filed in office of City Clerk, October 6th)

Samuel E. Armstrong, by his next friend, Wm. K. Armstrong, for injuries to person and property sustained at about seven o'clock in the evening of October 6th, 1898 by being thrown down by reason of an obstruction consisting of an unguarded pile of bricks or other material, on the westerly side of Church street, nearly

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opposite the house numbered 32, against which he struck, greatly injuring himself and the bicycle which he was riding at the time. (Filed in office of City Clerk, October 12.)

Referred to Committee on Claims and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 12. References concurred in.

Received a notice of a hearing before the County Commissioners at the Court House in Cambridge, Wednesday, November 9th, 1898, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, on the petition of the Fitchburg Railroad Company that said commissioners order an alteration in the bridge over the Fitchburg Railroad at Beacon street, so that said bridge shall be lengthened to 55.5 feet in the clear span and that it cross the railroad at a right angle thereto, or that a new bridge be constructed to meet these requirements. (Filed in office of City Clerk, October 7th.)

Notice ✓

Placed in hands of City Solicitor, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 12. Placed in hands of City Solicitor in concurrence.

On the order offered by Alderman Dawlin September 28th, granting track locations to the West End Street Railway Company in Bow and Summer streets, as recorded on page 245 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways, and Moving Buildings of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, action on which was postponed until the next regular meeting, the said order was

Adopted.

Order ✓

See agreement recorded on page 397.

On the resolution offered September 21 by Alderman Lamont, as follows, namely:-

Resolution ✓

Resolved:-

That it is expedient that the City of Somerville shall exercise the authority conferred in section one of chapter 370 of the Acts of the General Court of Massachusetts of the year 1891, entitled "An act to enable Cities and Towns to Manufacture and Distribute Gas and Electricity" by the construction, purchase, lease or establishment, and maintenance of one or more plants for the manufacture and distribution of electricity as

therein set forth, which order was laid upon the table Sept. 21st. and taken from the table Sept. 28th. and further action postponed until the next regular meeting, action was taken as follows,-

Received its second reading in pursuance of a yea and nay vote, Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kelmer and Ball -7, voting in the affirmative and Alderman Cummings -1, in the negative.

Adopted by a yea and nay vote,- Alderman Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kelmer and Ball -6, voting in the affirmative and Aldermen Lapham and Cummings -2, in the negative. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 12. Received its second reading in pursuance of a yea and nay vote, as follows,- Councilmen Osborne, Kenney, Thomson, Burns, Burrows, Gracey, Story, Berry and Foster -9, in the affirmative, and Councilmen Crocker, Lord, Sinal and the President -4, in the negative. Further consideration postponed until next session of the Common Council.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Upon further consideration of this resolution, adoption was refused by the following yea and nay vote,- Councilmen Osborne, Kenney, Cushman and Story -4, in the affirmative, and Councilmen Smith, Grimmons, Thomson, Burns, Crocker, Berry, Lord, Sinal, Foster and the President -10, in the negative. Absent or not voting, Councilmen Burrows and Gracey.

√ Resolve and Order

I resolve and order for the laying out of Marion street, from Concord avenue to Cook street, was

Read twice and further action postponed until the next regular meeting.

√ Resolves and Orders

Resolves and orders for the laying out of

Adrian street

and

Lowell street

as recorded, respectively, on pages 84 to 88 and 92 to 96 inclusive, of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, were

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Read twice and adopted in con-

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currence

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 20, 1898

The President, Alderman Ball presiding

Alderman Tarbox offered the following order:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the license granted by this board on June 8th, 1898 to James Prentice to sell newspapers, be and the same hereby is revoked; the said Prentice having surrendered his badge and license.

Adopted.

The Committee on Licenses:- Reports ✓

on petitions for licenses as common victuallers from:-

Austin H. Goldthwait, 44 Broadway,

Mrs. Teresa Ames, 683 Somerville avenue, and

John Time, 302 Somerville avenue, reported an order,

on the petition of Michael Rosenblitt, for a license to buy and sell junk at 15 Poplar street, reported leave to withdraw,

on petitions for licenses to cry their goods in the streets from:-

Georgios Pruntas and Efthimias Sambas, reported leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That a license as a Common Victualler under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to each of the following-named parties, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
Austin H. Goldthwait	#44 Broadway,
Mrs. Teresa Ames	#683 Somerville avenue
John Time	#302 Somerville avenue

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Amended by striking out the words "John Time, #302 Somerville avenue. As thus amended, adopted.

√ Report

The Committee on Special Building Permits, on the petition of Irving C. Kennett for a license to keep fifteen horses in a wooden stable to be erected on land of Franklin O. Reed, on the northwesterly side of Garfield avenue, about 62 feet southwesterly from Mystic avenue, reported an order.

Accepted.

√ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,-

Ordered:-

That a license be, and hereby is, granted to Irving C. Kennett to keep fifteen (15) horses in the stable owned by Franklin O. Reed, situated on the northwesterly side of Garfield avenue, about sixty feet southwesterly from Middlesex avenue, in this city; the said license being revocable at the pleasure of this board.

Adopted.

√ Reports

The Committee on Sewers, on petitions for common sewers as follows,

Harriet Jordan and others, in Jenny Lind avenue, in place of old sewer,

F. K. Collins and others, in Jenny Lind avenue, between Medford and Vernon streets,

Annie L. Fletcher and Caroline C. Henderson, in Tennyson street from the private sewer opposite No. 14, southerly about 150 feet,

Minnie L. Merrill and others, in Raymond avenue,

reported orders.

Accepted.

√ Orders

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports for common sewers in

Jenny Lind avenue

North street and Raymond avenue

and

Tennyson street

are recorded, respectively, on pages 676, 678, and 680 of volume 1 of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

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Read twice and adopted.
Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 15, 1895.

Report ✓

The Committee on Sewers, in pursuance of an order dated September 21, submitted the following lists of proposals received for the construction, in two sections, of a common sewer (for house drainage only) in Somerville avenue, from the Metropolitan sewer at Poplar street to Prospect street, proposals being compared on the basis of an estimate of the quantities of work to be done, made by the City Engineer as follows:—

Section One, — between Poplar street and Medford street.

(a) 170 cu. yds. of earth excavation and refilling above grade, in trench for regulator chamber and 2'-6" sewer connection with Metropolitan sewer.

(aa) 340 lin. ft. of earth excavation and refilling above grade, in trench for 36" x 39" sewer.

(aaa) 60 lin. ft. of earth excavation and refilling above grade, in trench for 24" tile overflow sewer.

(b) 5 cu. yds. rock excavation in trench.

(c) 260 lin. ft. of 4-inch to 10-inch underdrains.

(d) 75 cu. yds. Portland cement concrete, mixed 6, 3 and 1.

(e) 10 cu. yds. Rosendale cement concrete, mixed 5, 2 and 1.

(f) 30 cu. yds. brick masonry, Portland cement mortar.

(g) 50 cu. yds. brick masonry, Rosendale cement mortar.

Section Two, — between Medford street and Prospect street.

(a) 1420 lin. ft. of earth excavation and refilling above grade, in trench for 36" x 39" sewer.

(aa) 65 lin. ft. of earth excavation and refilling above grade, in trench for 33" x 33" sewer.

(b) 5 cu. yds. rock excavation in trench.

(c) 1490 lin. ft. of 4-inch to 10-inch underdrains.

(d) 350 cu. yds. Portland cement concrete, mixed 6, 3 and 1.

(e) 50 cu. yds. Rosendale cement concrete, mixed 5, 2 and 1.

(f) 120 cu. yds. brick masonry, Portland cement mortar.

(g) 110 cu. yds. brick masonry, Rosendale cement mortar.

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Section One

Name of bidder	(a) Excavation for regulator chamber and Metropolitan connection per lin. ft.	(aa) Excavation for 36"x39" sewer per lin. ft.	(aaa) Excavation for 24" overflow sewer per lin. ft.	(b) Rock excavation per cu. yd.
	$	$	$	$
L. D. Trumbull & Co.	5.00	15.00	1.59	5.00
H. A. Hanscom & Co.	2.50	4.75	2.00	5.00
L. A. Morgan	2.50	3.90	1.00	5.00
Richard Falvey	2.90	3.80	1.00	1.00
Timothy F. Grimmings	1.15	3.50	2.90	1.50

(c) Underdrain per lin. ft.	(d) Portland cement concrete per cu. yd.	(e) Rosendale cement concrete per cu. yd.	(f) Portland brick masonry per cu. yd.	(g) Rosendale brick masonry per cu. yd.	Estimated Aggregate
$	$	$	$	$	$
0.20	5.00	4.50	11.50	9.50	7334.70
0.15	5.75	5.25	13.50	11.50	3627.75
0.20	5.40	4.50	16.00	12.50	3433.00
0.25	6.00	5.00	16.00	12.00	3400.00
0.15	5.75	4.50	12.50	11.50	2960.25

Section Two

Name of bidder	(a) Excavation for 36"x39" sewer per lin. ft.	(aa) Excavation for 24"x33" sewer per lin. ft.	(b) Rock excavation per cu. yd.
	$	$	$
R. Falvey	3.25	4.00	1.00
H. A. Hanscom & Co.	3.67	3.67	5.00
L. A. Morgan	3.50	6.75	5.00
Timothy F. Grimmings	3.50	2.90	1.50
L. D. Trumbull & Co.	3.00	3.50	5.00

(c) Underdrain per lin. ft.	(d) Portland cement concrete per cu. yd.	(e) Rosendale cement concrete per cu. yd.	(f) Portland brick masonry per cu. yd.	(g) Rosendale brick masonry per cu. yd.	Estimated Aggregate
$	$	$	$	$	$
0.30	6.00	5.00	13.00	11.00	9847.00
0.15	5.75	5.25	16.00	11.50	5738.45
0.10	5.40	4.50	12.00	12.00	5497.75
0.15	5.75	4.50	12.50	11.50	5397.00
0.20	4.34	3.50	9.34	8.09	5081.20

and presented, and order

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Accepted.

The order, accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Sewers be, and they hereby are, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make contracts for the construction of a main drain or common sewer (for house drainage only) in Somerville avenue, from the Metropolitan sewer at Poplar street to Prospect street, with the following parties, namely,— for section one, being for the section between Poplar street and Medford street, with Timothy F. Crimmings, and for section two, being for the section between Medford street and Prospect street, with C. E. Trumbull & Co.— at the prices named in their proposals submitted in said committee's report this evening.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, October 13, 1898.

The Committee on Sewers submitted favorable reports in the matters of the taking of land for the purposes of common sewers in Reports ✓

Land of the Estate of Levi Russell and

Packard avenue and Private Lands,

as recorded, respectively, on pages and of volume 2, of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Accepted in concurrence.

Accompanying the foregoing reports were orders of notice of hearings on the taking of land for the purposes of common sewers in Orders of Notice ✓

Land of the Estate of Levi Russell and

Packard avenue and Private Lands,

as recorded, respectively, on pages and of volume 2 of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

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Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 20, 1898.

√ Order

Alderman Lapham offered an order for the construction of a sidewalk in Trull street, westerly side, as recorded on page 135 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks, Hearings and Construction of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 13, 1898.

√ Reports.

The Committee on Highways,—

on the petition of the Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to erect and maintain one pole in Broadway at the southwest corner of Sycamore street, reported no action necessary, as the desired location has been granted by an order already passed by this board;

on the petition of M. F. Underwood, for permission to place a private wire across Richdale avenue, at the corner of School street, either underground or overhead, as the board may determine, reported an order;

on the petition of C. F. William Thiesfeldt and others, for curbstones and sidewalks in Cypress street, and the grading of the street, reported an order;

on the petition of Caleb J. Janes and others, for brick sidewalks, with edgestones, in Joy street, from Washington street to Poplar street, reported an order;

on the petition of Henry A. Stevens, for a brick sidewalk in front of his premises, "16 Preston avenue, reported an order.

Accepted.

√ Orders

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows,—

Ordered:—

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to Melvin F. Underwood to lay and maintain a telephone wire under Richdale avenue, near the corner of School street, for the purpose of connecting by telephone his place of residence at No. 16 Richdale avenue with his shop at No. 174 School street, when he shall have first deposited with the City Treasurer a sum of money sufficient to cover the estimated cost of opening the street, for the purpose indicated, and of restoring

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the same to good condition, which work is to be done by the Highway Department at the expense of said Underwood. The wire, except where it goes under the street, is to be run on private property, and the work of laying the wire under the street is to be done to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets and the Superintendent of Electric Lines, and this permission is revocable at the pleasure of the Board of Aldermen. It is further provided that whenever said Underwood shall desire to repair said wire where it is laid under the street, the work of opening and restoring the street shall be done by the Highway Department at his expense.

Adopted.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to construct a brick sidewalk in front of the estate of Henry A. Stevens, No 16 Bracton avenue, when he shall have first made a deposit with the City Treasurer in a sum of money sufficient to cover the estimated cost of the bricks, the balance of the expense to be charged to Sidewalks Account.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 14, 1898.

Orders of notice of hearings on the construction of sidewalks in

Cypress street,

and

Joy street

as recorded, respectively, on pages 148 and 151 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 13, 1898.

The Committee on Highways,- Reports ✓

on the petition of E. C. Huse, for a driveway in front of his estate No 31 Tennyson street, reported leave to withdraw;

on an order dated September 28th, to do whatever work might be necessary in adapting Montrose street at and near School street, to the change of grade of said Montrose street at the curbstone line, reported that the work has been done as directed.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, Oct. 19. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order. Alderman Lapham offered the following order,—

Ordered:—

That the grade of certain portions of Jenny Lind avenue, at the edgestone lines, between Bedford street and Broadway, be and it hereby is changed and established to conform to green lines on plan entitled "Plan and Profile of Jenny Lind Avenue for Acceptance," made by D. B. Perkins, C.E. dated July, 1893, with grade lines in green added by Ernest H. Bailey, City Engineer, October 11th, 1898, which plan is on file in the City Engineer's office and the Committee on Highways is hereby instructed to perform whatever work may be necessary to adapt to such change of grade, those portions of Jenny Lind avenue which may be affected thereby, the expense incurred to be charged to Highways account.

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 20, 1898.

√ Report. The Committee on Public Property submitted the following report:—

To the City Council,
of Somerville:—

The Committee on Public Property, in pursuance of an order dated September 14, 1898, submits the following list of proposals which have been received for the erection of a six-room brick schoolhouse, to be located on the northerly side of Washington street near Dane street, in accordance with plans prepared by Prescott and Sidebottom, Architects, and adopted by an order of the City Council dated September 14, 1898:—

John E. Giddings & Son	$45,744
L. P. Soule & Son	38,997
Mack & Moore	35,900
John A. Dodge	33,663
Orne & Lawrence	33,657
Alfred H. Hines	31,750
G. L. Clark & Co.	31,600
Jarvis Engineering Co.	31,539

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Fessenden & Libby,	$30,903.
H. C. Murdough,	29,850.
Ezra T. Merrill,	28,900

Inasmuch as all of the above proposals are much in excess of the amount of appropriation available for the erection of the building, your committee would recommend that they be rejected.

The committee presents the following list of proposals, based upon proposed revisions of the plans and specifications which in the judgment of the committee it would have been wise to have adopted provided the proposals received were sufficiently low to have warranted the awarding of the contract:-

Charles E. Currier,	$33,000.
Mack & Moore,	31,000.
Orne & Lawrence,	29,314.
John E. Giddings & Son,	29,300.
Alfred H. Hines,	28,400.
Gifford & Lawrence,	27,390.
Fessenden & Libby,	27,343.
John A. Dodge,	27,260.
E. T. Merrill,	26,500.
Jarvis Engineering Co.	26,797.

However, as all of the foregoing proposals also exceed the amount available, the committee would recommend that they also be rejected.

Having received two sets of proposals based substantially on the plans and specifications adopted by the City Council, and being unable in either case to receive a proposal sufficiently low to permit of the awarding of the contract, it appeared to the committee that the only way by which a contract could be awarded for an amount within the appropriation was to have a careful revision of the plans and specifications, leaving off the wing on the easterly side of the building containing the sanitaries, placing the sanitaries in the basement, lowering the height of the main walls and eliminating some of the decorative features of the building.

Your committee therefore presents the accompanying set of plans and specifications, revised practically as outlined above, together with the following list of proposals which have been received in accordance with the same:-

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Freeman & Libby,	$25,399
Jarvis Engineering Co.	23,650
O. T. Merrill,	23,375
John A. Dodge,	23,300
W. J. Singer,	22,562

A communication having been received from W. J. Singer requesting permission to withdraw his bid, the committee recommends that the contract be awarded to John A. Dodge for the sum of $23,300, and submits the accompanying order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,-

Ordered:-

That the revised plans and specifications, prepared by Prescott and Lidbottom, Architects, and submitted by the Committee on Public Property this evening, for the erection of a six-room brick schoolhouse to be located on the northerly side of Washington street near Dane street, be, and the same hereby are adopted, and the Committee on Public Property is hereby authorized, if it shall deem it expedient to make a contract with John A. Dodge for the construction of the said building in accordance with said revised plans and specifications adopted herewith, at the price named in his proposal submitted in said committee's report this evening, namely, twenty-three thousand three hundred dollars ($23,300); the expense so incurred to be charged to School-house, Ward Two account.

Read once and action postponed until the next meeting.

In Board of Aldermen, Oct. 19. Received its second reading and final passage. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 20, 1895

(See records of October 19.)

✓ Order

Alderman Cummings offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property, &c., and it hereby

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is, authorized and instructed to receive from the Board of Water Commissioners of this city the keys to the premises owned by the city and heretofore used by said board, situated at the corner of Somerville avenue and Prospect street, and the said committee is also instructed to take charge of said premises after receiving the keys thereof, subject to further instruction from the city council.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct 19. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 20, 1898.

Alderman Ball offered the following order,- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Grounds be, and it hereby is, authorized to dispose of the iron fence and granite posts around Broadway Park; the amount so received to be credited to Public Grounds account.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 12, Adopted in concurrence.

Presented to the Mayor, Oct 13.

The Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, on an order dated June 8th, to make a contract with the Wellington-Wild Coal Company for the furnishing of fuel for the schoolhouses and public buildings, reported that such contract has been made. Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 12 Accepted in concurrence

The Committee on Water,- Reports ✓

on an order dated June 15th, to move the stand-pipe in front of the estate at the corner of Highland avenue and Willow avenue to some suitable location on Willow avenue, reported that the said stand-pipe has been placed on Grove street near Highland avenue;

on an order dated January 19th, authorizing the watering of private streets when the people should have paid to the treasurer the amounts which would have been charged if they were public streets, reported that private streets have been watered

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under authority of said order, as follows:-
Franklin avenue, from Washington street northwesterly 400 feet;
Glover Circle, from Meacham street southerly 125 feet;
Lester Terrace, from Meacham street northeasterly 200 feet;
Chester avenue, from Medford street easterly 260 feet;
on petitions for the watering of streets from Caine and Blainey and others - Walnut street between Pearl and Gilman, James L. Lea and others - Campbell Park, and C. A. Small and others - Cedar street from Broadway to the Railroad Bridge, reported leave to withdraw, as the petitions were not presented until after passage of the order of May first, for the watering of streets.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Order

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order:-

Ordered:-

That the city treasurer be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to transfer from Water Maintenance account the sum of four thousand dollars, and place the same to the credit of Water Works Extension account.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Laid on the table.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Taken from the table. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 10, 1898.

Adjourned.

Attest,

George A. Vincent

Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Somerville, Oct. 19, 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Percy presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Darlin, Lamont, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved.

Received from the Common Council a petition from John A. McCarthy and others, calling attention to the bad condition of Hanson street and requesting that something be done to lessen the abominable nuisance existing therein. — Petition ✓

In Common Council, October 12. Referred to Committee on Highways and sent up for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen, October 19. Reference concurred in.

Received from the Common Council the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the City Engineer be, and he hereby is, instructed to prepare preliminary surveys and estimates of the cost of abolishing all grade crossings (including the Thorndike street crossing) on the Southern Division of the Boston and Maine Railroad, and to submit surveys and estimates, when prepared, to the City Council.

(signed) John F. Foster

In Common Council, Oct. 12. Referred to Committee on City Engineering and sent up for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen, Oct. 19. Reference concurred in.

Received a request from the Board of Water Commissioners for an additional appropriation of five thousand dollars from the Water Income to be applied to Water Maintenance account. — Request ✓

Referred to Committee on Finance and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Oct. 19. Reference concurred in.

The appointments of election officers for the year beginning November 1, 1898, which were made by the mayor at the last meeting, — Appointments ✓

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subject to confirmation, were confirmed.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from,-

John H. Hull, for a license as a common victualler at #33 Elm street;

Mrs. Alice E. Langley, for a license as a common victualler at #669 Somerville avenue;

John H. Hull, for a license to keep an intelligence office at #33 Elm street;

George W. Mathewson, for a license of the 6th class, for the sale of intoxicating liquors at his apothecary store #10 Broadway, the license being accompanied by the requisite certificate from the State Board of Registration in Pharmacy.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

√ Petition

Received a petition from W. B. Bowmer of #108 First street, New York City, for permission to speak at Davis square, Union square and Winter Hill square, on the in-gathering and the restoration of the Twelve Tribes of Israel, for one half hour at a time.

The petitioner, who was present, was permitted to address the board and said that he represented the Christian Israelite Church and is visiting the different states in the Union and holding meetings as indicated in his petition. He wished to hold but one meeting in each of the three squares and on week nights only.

The petition was held on the table.

√ Petition

Received a petition from Harvey Twitchell and others that the petition of Charles Callahan to have projections of his building, now being erected at the corner of Cross street and Fountain avenue, extend over the sidewalk, be not granted as the petitioners consider it will be detrimental to their property in the vicinity.

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

√ Petition

Received a petition from John Stofflet and others for a catch-basin on Tyler street at the foot of Tower Court.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from,-

James G. Morrison, that the sidewalk in front of his building, recently erected on the southerly side of Pearl street and numbered 220-220A & 220B

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on said street, may be repaired and the space between the sidewalk and said building fenced with bricks at his expense.

J. A. Lawrence and others, for the laying out of Knowlton street.

Edward S. Day and others, for the laying out of Melvin street from Broadway to Bowdoin street.

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from Martin B. Dowling and others, for a change in the proposed grade of Marion street from that contemplated by the plan recently submitted with a petition for the laying out of said street, and for the lowering of the manhole in Marion street opposite Taunton street, about 9 inches; the signers of the petition ratifying and confirming, in all other respects, said plan and the deed of release presented therewith. — Petition ✓

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Read for information.

Received petitions from the Veteran Firemen's Association and Charles Williams Jr. and others, praying that said association may be allowed to use the Water Works building, corner of Somerville avenue and Prospect street for a meeting room and the storage of the engine. — Petitions ✓

Referred to Committee on Public Property and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Reference concurred in.

Received petitions from:- — Petitions ✓

James H. Taylor and others, for a light at the upper end of Auburn avenue.

Charles H. White, clerk of church, for a street light in Bow street, north of Broadway, in front of the new Tufts Hill Baptist Church.

O. H. Belding and others, for an incandescent light on Hudson street opposite No. 62.

Referred to Committee on Ind. and Street Lights and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Reference concurred in.

On the order presented at the last meeting for the adoption of revised plans and specifications and for the making of a contract with John A. Dodge, for the construction of a six-room brick schoolhouse on the southerly — Order ✓

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side of Washington street near Dane street, which order was read once at the last meeting and action postponed until the next meeting, action was taken as follows:-

Received its second reading and final passage. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 20, 1898.

√ Order

Notice of State Election

Alderman Cummings offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the city clerk be, and he is hereby, directed to cause notice to be given as prescribed in section 209 of chapter 548 of the Acts of the year Eighteen Hundred and Ninety-eight, that the qualified voters of this city will meet in the several polling places which have been designated by said board for or within the voting precincts in which they respectively are qualified to vote, said polling places being located as follows, namely, for

Ward One

Precinct 1 - The Ward-room in the Prescott schoolhouse on Pearl street,

Precinct 2 - A room in the Sanford Hanscom Schoolhouse on Webster street,

Precinct 3 - A room in the Davis schoolhouse on Tufts street,

Precinct 4 - A room in the Jackson schoolhouse on Maple street, at the corner of Poplar street.

Ward Two

Precinct 1 - A room in the Luther I. Bell schoolhouse on Kinal avenue,

Precinct 2 - The Hall in the Police Building on Bow street,

Precinct 3 - Eberle Lower Hall in Union square,

Precinct 4 - A room in the O. S. Knapp schoolhouse on Concord avenue,

Precinct 5 - A room in the Prospect Hill schoolhouse on Washington street, at the corner of Bonner avenue; there being no convenient polling place which can be obtained within the territorial limits of said precinct.

Ward Three

Precinct 1 - A room in the Edgerly schoolhouse on Cross street,

Precinct 2 - A room in the Jacob T. Gliner schoolhouse on Jaques street,

Precinct 3 - A room in the Foster schoolhouse on Sycamore street,

Precinct 4 - A room in the Bingham schoolhouse on Lowell street.

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Ward Four.

Precinct 1. - A room in the Martin H. Carr schoolhouse on Beach street,
Precinct 2. - A room in the Burns schoolhouse on Cherry street,
Precinct 3. - A room in the Highland schoolhouse on Highland avenue, at the corner of Grove street,
Precinct 4. - A room in the William H. Hodgkins schoolhouse on Holland street.

On Tuesday, the eighth day of November, 1895, at Six O'clock in the forenoon, when the polls shall open, and there and then, between that hour and the closing of the polls, which shall be at Four O'clock and twenty-nine minutes in the afternoon, will give in their ballots for
a Governor, a Lieutenant-Governor, a Secretary, a Treasurer and Receiver General, an Auditor, and an Attorney-General of the Commonwealth,
a Councillor for Councillor District Number Three,
a Senator in the General Court for the Third Middlesex Senatorial District,
a Representative in the General Court for the Sixth Middlesex Representative District, to be voted for in Ward One only,
three Representatives in the General Court for the Seventh Middlesex Representative District, to be voted for in Wards Two and Four only,
a Representative in the General Court for the Eighth Middlesex Representative District, to be voted for in Ward Three only,
a County Commissioner, two special Commissioners, a Register of Probate and Insolvency, and a Sheriff, for the County of Middlesex,
a District Attorney for the Northern District,
and a Representative in Congress for the Eighth Congressional District.

All the foregoing are to be voted for on one ballot.

The publication required by the law above referred to is to be made once in the Somerville Journal and once in the Somerville Citizen, newspapers published in this city.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 20, 1895.

Alderman Tarbox offered the following order. - Order ✓

Ordered: -

That permission be, and it hereby is, granted to H. B. Bowner to hold half-hour religious meetings in Davis, Union and Gilman squares, one meeting only to be held in each square and all on the evenings of secular

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days.

Adoption lost.

√ Report

The Committee on Special Building Permits, on the petition of Charles Callahan for permission to project bay windows over the sidewalks on Cross street and Fountain avenue, from the building numbered 124 to 128 A Cross street, and the remonstrance of Harvey Twitchell and others against the granting of said petition, recommended that the petitioner, said Callahan, be given leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

√ Reports

The Committee on Sewers,

in pursuance of an order dated October 12th, submitted the following list of proposals received to construct, in Jenny Lind Avenue, from the sewer in Vernon street, northeasterly, about 650 feet of 10-inch and 250 feet of 8-inch pipe sewer, with three manholes; the pipe and the manhole frames and covers to be furnished by the city.

Name of Bidder	Manholes each	10" pipe sewer per lin. ft.	8" pipe sewer per lin. ft.	Estimated Aggregate
D. C. Collins	$ 33.00	$ 0.72	0.57	$ 709.50
T. F. Crimmings	35.00	0.65	0.60	677.50
Jeremiah Donovan	35.00	0.65	0.45	640.00
Daniel A. Dorey	30.50	0.57	0.57	603.00
John C. Terry	22.00	0.52	0.50	529.00
M. Buttimer	30.00	0.43	0.40	469.50
A. Falvey	24.00	0.43	0.40	451.50
Charles A. Kelley	32.00	0.38	0.40	443.00

and presented an order,

in pursuance of an order dated Oct. 12, submitted the following list of proposals received to construct in North street and Raymond avenue, from a point in North street opposite the division line between the premises owned by the estate of Levi Russell and the premises of Bessie Russell, Carr, Steame and Hatch to the manhole in Raymond avenue near Curtis street, about 185 feet of 12-inch pipe sewer and 10-inch underdrain, and 1200 feet of 18-inch

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pipe sewer and 6-inch underdrain, with 4 manholes; the pipe and manhole frames and covers to be furnished by the city.

Name of Bidder	Manhole each	12" sewer per lin ft.	10" underdrain per lin ft.	8" sewer per lin ft.	6" underdrain per lin ft.	Estimated Aggregate
	$	$	$	$	$	$
T. F. Grimmings	35.00	0.73	0.20	0.65	0.30	1332.05
D. B. Collins	34.00	0.71	0.17	0.63	0.15	1234.80
Maurice Cullinane	35.00	0.65	0.20	0.50	0.20	1137.35
A. Falvey	36.00	0.57	0.15	0.37	0.12	825.20
Charles A. Morgan	35.00	0.50	0.12	0.34	0.10	782.70
David A. Gray	37.00	0.32	0.15	0.30	0.10	674.95

and presented an order.

in pursuance of an order dated October 12th, submitted the following list of proposals received to construct, in Tennyson street, from the end of the sewer south of Medford street laid in the year 1894, southwesterly to near Pembroke street, about 155 feet of 10-inch pipe sewer with one manhole, the pipe and manhole frame and cover to be furnished by the city.

Name of Bidder.	Manhole	10" pipe sewer per lin. ft	Estimated Aggregate
	$	$	$
D. B. Collins	36.00	0.71	146.05
T. F. Grimmings	35.00	0.65	135.75
David A. Gray	30.00	0.47	102.85
John B. Terry	22.00	0.45	96.40
Richard Falvey	27.00	0.43	93.65
Patrick Burke	25.00	0.39	85.45
Jeremiah Donovan	29.00	0.34	81.70
M. Cullinane	28.00	0.33	79.15
Charles A. Kelley	28.00	0.32	77.60

and presented an order.

Accepted.

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows, — Orders ✓

Ordered: —

That the Committee on Sewers be, and they hereby are, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with Charles

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A. Kelley for the construction of a common sewer in Jenny Lind avenue, from the sewer in Vernon street northwesterly about 900 feet to near Medford street, at the prices named in his proposal submitted in said committee's report this evening.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Sewers be, and they hereby are, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with Daniel A. Doney, for the construction of a common sewer in North street and Raymond avenue, commencing on North street at or near the division line of the estate of Levi Ansell and the estate of Ansell, Bass, Stearns and Hatch and extending westerly (northwesterly) to Raymond avenue, thence in Raymond avenue easterly to the manhole near Curtis street, at the prices named in his proposal submitted in said committee's report this evening.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Sewers be, and it hereby is, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with Charles A. Kelley, for the construction of a common sewer in Tennyson street, from the end of the old sewer south of Medford street, constructed in 1894, southwesterly about 155 feet to near Pembroke street, at the prices named in his proposal submitted in said committee's report this evening.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 10, 1895.

√ Communication asking leave to move supplies etc. from Joy street to Water Works building corner Somerville ave. & Prospect street.

Received from the Committee on Sewers the following communication,-

To the City Council,

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Sewers respectfully represents that the premises on Joy Street, which have been used for several years for the storage of the equipment and supplies of the sewer department are not well located, and the building thereon is inadequate. The property at the corner of Somerville Avenue and Prospect Street recently vacated by the Water Commissioners is much better adapted for the purpose and your committee would respectfully request that authority may be given for the transfer of the appurtenances of this department from the first named premises to the latter, a suitable portion thereof to be set apart for this department.

For the Committee,

Andrew A. Lamont, Chairman.

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Read and sent down for information.
In Common Council, Oct. 19. Read for information.

Alderman Lamont offered the following order,— Order. ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Sewers be, and it hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer the property of the city in possession of the sewer department from the city's premises on Joy street heretofore occupied by that department, to the premises at the southerly corner of Somerville avenue and Prospect street recently vacated by the Water Commissioners, and the Committee on Public Property is hereby instructed to assume charge of the said premises on Joy street, subject to further instructions from the City Council.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Oct. 17. Adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 20, 1895.

Alderman Bentley offered the following order,— Order. ✓

Ordered:—

That the following sums, assessed to sundry parties for street watering in front of their respective estates for the year 1896, as follows, namely:—

the sum of $1.06, assessed to Stephen P. Field, for street watering in front of his estate on Franklin street, (Ward 1, Precinct 3),—

the sum of $4.50, assessed to Heirs of Catherine L. Russell, for street watering in front of their estate #248 Medford street, (Ward 2, Precinct 1),—

the sum of $2.00, assessed to Emeline A. Litchfield, for street watering in front of her estate #49 Beacon street, (Ward 2, Precinct 4),—

the sum of $1.60, assessed to Catherine Rowe, for street watering in front of her estate #52 Medford street, (Ward 2, Precinct 5),—

the sum of $1.60, assessed to Belle J. Drake, for street watering in front of her estate #375 Medford street, (Ward 3, Precinct 3),—

the sum of $5.44, assessed to Patrick Kearney, for street watering in front of his estate on Broadway, (Ward 3, Precinct 4),— and

the sum of $3.00, assessed to Tower, Hunt and Hunt, for street watering in front of their estate on Highland avenue, (Ward 3, Precinct 4),—

be, and the said sums are hereby abated.

Adopted.

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√ Report

The Committee on Highways on petitions for sidewalks in Porter street,
from Mrs. Belle Garland and others, on the northwesterly side, from Highland avenue to Summer street
Edwin S. Kimpton and others, on Porter street,
F. C. Langevin, on northwesterly side, from Highland avenue to Mountain avenue, and
Mrs. Martha A. Manu, in front of premises nos. 80 and 82,
reported an order.

Accepted.

√ Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report, with an additional order offered by Alderman Lapham, for sidewalks in

Jenny Lind avenue

and

Porter street

are recorded, respectively, on pages 132 and 156 of Volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 20, 1898.

√ Reports

The Committee on Highways, in pursuance of orders dated, respectively, July 13, July 27 and August 10, for the construction of sidewalks in
Ames street, southerly side, from Central to Bartlett, brick,
Burnside avenue, easterly side, from Elm to Summer, gravel with edgestones,
Hancock street, southeasterly side, from Elm to Summer, gravel with edgestones,
Highland avenue, northeasterly side, from the premises of the Central Club Association to Grove street, brick,
Hudson street, southerly side, from Central to Lowell, brick,
Abbetson street, southeasterly side, from Somerville avenue to the northerly line of the estate Nos. 25 and 27, gravel with edgestones,
Abbetson street, northwesterly side, from Somerville avenue to the northerly line of the estate No. 26, gravel with edgestones,
Mixer street, easterly side, from Ames to Vernon, brick,
Mixer street, westerly side, from Ames to Vernon, brick,
Sargent avenue, easterly side, in front of estates where sidewalks were not already

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constructed, brick,

Tennyson street, northwesterly side, from Forster to Medford, brick,

Webster avenue, southeasterly side, from Prospect street to the Fitchburg Railroad, gravel, with edgestones,

Wigglesworth street, easterly side, from Otis to Bonair, gravel with edgestones,

Wigglesworth street, easterly side, in front of the premises of Caroline W. Inwood Richardson, gravel with edgestones,

reported that sidewalks have been constructed as authorized by said orders, and submitted lists of assessments for one half the cost of said sidewalks.

Accepted.

The lists of assessments submitted with the foregoing report, with warrants and orders for their collection, for sidewalks in — Assessments ✓

Ames street, ✓

Burnside avenue, ✓

Hancock street, ✓

Highland avenue, ✓

Hudson street, ✓

Ibbetson street, southeast side, ✓

Ibbetson street, northwest side, ✓

Miner street, easterly side, ✓

Miner street, westerly side, ✓

Sargent avenue, ✓

Tennyson street, ✓

Webster avenue, ✓

Wigglesworth street, and easterly side, ✓

~~and~~

~~Wigglesworth street, easterly side~~

are recorded, respectively, on pages 245 to 248, 249 to 252, 253 to 256, 257 to 260, 261 to 264, 265 to 268, 269 to 272, 273 to 276, 277 to 280, 281 to 284, 285 to 288, 289 to 292 and 293 to 296, inclusive, of volume 3 of the Records of Sidewalk Assessments of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Adopted.

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on the petition of Edward Scanlon and others for the laying out of Beck street from Marion street to South Hyatt street, and

in the matter of the laying out of Marion street, from Broad avenue to Beck street,

submitted favorable reports, as recorded, respectively, on pages 113 and 131 of volume 5 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Orders of Notice.

Accompanying the foregoing reports were orders of notice of hearings on the laying out of

Beck street

and

Marion street,

as recorded, respectively, on pages 114 and 132 of volume 5 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 20, 1898.

✓ Order.

On the order for the laying out of Marion street, which was read twice at the last meeting, and further action postponed until this meeting, further action was indefinitely postponed.

✓ Order.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,-

Whereas it appears by plans and records in the city engineer's office that a certain stone front, and stone wall upon the estate situated at the northwesterly corner of Boston and Marion (sometimes called High) street, owned by Abram P. Greenwood, Trustee, encroach upon the limits of said Boston street, at and for a distance of some ten feet, more or less, from its intersection with said Marion street,-

it is therefore hereby

Ordered:-

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That the city clerk be, and he hereby is, instructed to notify said Greenwood, Trustee, of such encroachment and that the said fence and wall must be removed to the true line of said street within thirty days of the date of service of such notice and that said true line will be furnished upon application at the office of the city engineer.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 20, 1895.

(See officer's return on page 376)

Alderman Lapham offered the following order, —

Order ✓

Ordered: —

That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is, directed to transfer the sum of three hundred ten dollars ($310.00) from Highways, Stone Road Roller account to Sidewalks account.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Adopted in concurrence.

Presented to the Mayor, Oct. 20.

Alderman Cummings offered the following order, —

Order ✓

Ordered: —

That the Committee on Finance be, and hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of making a transfer of four thousand dollars from Armory Account to Schoolhouse Hard Fire Account, for the purpose of providing for the heating and ventilating apparatus.

Adoption lost.

Alderman Cummings offered the following order, —

Order ✓

Ordered: —

That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is, instructed to transfer from Armory account to Schoolhouse, Hard Fire account, the sum of four thousand dollars, for the purpose of furnishing the Heating and Ventilating apparatus.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Adopted in concurrence.

Presented to the Mayor, Oct. 20, and approved by him that day.

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✓ Order

Alderman Huntley offered the following order, -

Ordered: -

That the city treasurer be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to transfer from Highways, Paving Somerville avenue account, the sum of $256.60 and place the same to the credit of Highways, Paving Webster avenue account.

Also to transfer from Interest account the sum of eleven thousand five hundred dollars ($11,500) and credit the same to the following accounts, respectively: -

Miscellaneous, the sum of five thousand dollars	$5,000
Printing and Stationery, the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars	1,500
Relief and Burial of Indigent Soldiers and Sailors, the sum of two thousand dollars	2,000
Support of Poor, the sum of three thousand dollars	3,000

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Oct. 19. Adopted in concurrence

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 20

Adjourned

Attest

George S. Vincent

Clerk

Record of officer's return on order concerning encroachments on Boston street recorded on page 275.

Somerville, October 25th, 1898.

I hereby certify that on the day of the above date, I left at the place of business of the within named Greenwood, to wit: at No. 19 Congress St. Boston, room 10, the original, of which attached to this order of notice is a true copy, and also I left a like copy on the premises above mentioned, on the same day.

James Ham,
City Messenger
of Somerville

Copy of Notice above referred to

City of Somerville

City Clerk's Office, Oct. 22, 1898.

Nahum P. (or T.) Greenwood, Trustee,

Dear Sir:-

By vote of the City Council of Somerville, passed October 19, 1898, I am instructed to notify you that a post and wall upon your estate, situated upon the northwesterly corner of Boston and Monroe (or High) streets in this city, encroaches upon the limits of said Boston street, and that said post and wall so encroaching, must be removed to the true line within thirty days from the date of service of this notice, and that said true line will be furnished upon application at the City Engineer's office at the City Hall.

George S. Vincent,

City Clerk.

A true copy,

Attest,

Jairus Mann,

City Messenger.

Attest. George S. Vincent City Clerk

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Somerville, Oct 26, 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry, presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Hundley, Tarbox, Dawlin, Lamont, Kilme, Cummings and Ball present.

Records approved.

√ Hearing — In pursuance of an order passed October 12, a hearing was given for all persons desiring to object to the granting of the petition of Edmund S. Sparrow for permission to project coverings over sidewalks as follows:- at #425 Highland avenue, the coving of a one-story building about 25 feet in length, being the rear part of store fronting on Davis square; also the coving of a bay window in the first story on the front part of said store, both to project 10 inches over the sidewalk on Highland avenue; there being already a bay window directly over said proposed bay window, the coving of which projects over the sidewalk about 20 inches, due notice of the hearing having been published by said Sparrow as required by said order.

No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

√ Petition — In the matter of the petition of Charles Callahan for permission to build and maintain projections over the sidewalks on Cross street and Fountain avenue, a hearing on which petition was appointed for this evening, the petitioner having failed to make publication as required by the order, no hearing was given.

√ Veto — Received the following veto message from His Honor, the Mayor.

City of Somerville, Mass.
Mayor's Office

October 22nd, 1898.

To the Board of Aldermen of Somerville,
Gentlemen:-

I return herewith, disapproved, an order by which the Committee on Public Grounds was "authorized to dispose of the iron fence and granite posts around Broadway Park, the amount so received to be credited to Public Grounds account." Said order originated in your Honorable Board on the twelfth day of the present month.

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It appears that the movement for the removal of the park fence originated with the Metropolitan Park Commissioners, and is a part of the plan which they have formed for the extension of the Fellaway boulevard from Mystic avenue to Broadway. The Park Commissioners believe that the boulevard should embrace both Chauncey and Winthrop avenues, and that these avenues should be widened for vehicular travel by doing away with the present sidewalks on the park side of each avenue. It is suggested that sidewalks might be constructed within the limits of the Broadway Park to take the place of those which the city is expected to relinquish.

I am deeply interested in the proposed extension of the Fellaway boulevard, and on several occasions have directed the attention of the Chairman of the Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners to the importance of the measure. Nothing could be farther from my desire than to place even the slightest obstacle in the way of any public improvement which will result in benefit to our city; and such an improvement the extension of the Fellaway boulevard to Broadway is sure to be. I do not believe, however, that it is either necessary or desirable to take away the fence which incloses the park, nor does it seem probable that the Park Commissioners will refuse to extend the boulevard if the fence is retained.

The Broadway Park is not primarily a common or playground, but rather a public garden or arboretum of unusual beauty. Its attractiveness is enhanced by shrubs and flowers in great variety, a feature which should be developed still more extensively in the near future. Much of its charm as a quiet resort for the lover of nature would be lost if it were thrown open to the highway on all sides.

I would further call your attention to the fact that a row of thrifty and symmetrical shade trees grows close to the park fence, and within the inclosure, on each of its four sides. Many of these trees have low hanging branches which afford grateful shade in the summer season. If the roadbed of Chauncey and Winthrop avenues should be extended close to the trunks of these trees, it would be necessary to cut off all the lower branches, thus robbing them of much of their beauty. It is also probable that considerable injury would be done to the trees by lopping off their branches, and by disturbing their roots in setting curbstones along the present location of the fence. I greatly fear that taking down the fence and constructing sidewalks within the park location would result in a practical abandonment of a part of the park for the

purposes for which it was originally intended. One example of such a result may be seen today along the Tremont street and Boylston street side of the Boston Common. Surely no encroachment upon the Broadway Park should be sanctioned, and no injury to its trees should be allowed, unless an urgent necessity therefor can be shown. I think it would be almost impossible to find an unenclosed public garden, similar to the Broadway Park, in any of our neighboring cities, and the location of this park, between two of the city's main thoroughfares, — Highland avenue and Broadway, — makes of special importance the protection afforded by a fence.

It seems to me that the Park Commissioners should be willing to take Highland avenue at its present width, and without encroaching upon the sidewalk, as one of the branches of the boulevard. For the other branch it would be well to widen Winthrop avenue by taking a strip along its southerly side about one hundred feet in depth. By this plan ample provision would be made for a carriage way, one equestrian or bicycle path, and a line of car tracks. All this could be done without disturbing the park fence or any existing sidewalk, and it does not seem unreasonable to ask the Park Commissioners to make the small expenditure incident to the work, when we consider that Somerville will be heavily taxed for the laying out and maintenance of metropolitan parks and boulevards, and that no outlay, except for the Fellsway boulevard, has yet been incurred within the limits of our city.

While I am opposed to the removal of the park fence, I do not feel that it would be right for me to allow such opposition to stand in the way of the extension of the Fellsway boulevard. If the Park Commissioners insist upon the taking down of the fence, I shall reluctantly yield to their demands, and I am willing that the Committee on Public Grounds should have full authority to remove the fence if the extension of the boulevard to Broadway is arbitrarily conditioned upon such removal.

This leads me to the principal objection to the order under consideration, — namely, clothing the Committee on Public Grounds with authority to sell the fence at any price which can be obtained. Even if the fence must come down, is it wise for the city to dispose of it at the present time at the price of old iron?

The cost of the park fence, exclusive of piling and some minor items of expense, was $9,942.38, and it is almost as good today as when purchased. It is of pleasing and artistic design, and of most substantial

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construction. Probably it could not be sold for one-tenth its original cost. Its present unsightly appearance is due to the settling of the park lands, and if it is taken, it will be necessary to expend at once a very large sum in bringing the northwesterly section of the park to a proper grade. Unless the Park Commissioners are willing to assume the expense of providing a suitable park for the lands, the city will be called upon for a further outlay of several thousand dollars for granite work.

If it shall be decided to remove the fence, I would recommend that it be carefully taken down and placed under cover at the City Farm, or in some other suitable place, until it shall be known whether the city is likely to have further use for it. It is possible that by this plan several thousand dollars can be saved if, in the future, a fence should be required for Lincoln Park, the Almshouse grounds, the City Farm, or other public lands of the city.

In case your Honorable Board should decide to reject the order now under consideration, I would suggest that another order be adopted, giving authority to the Committee on Public Grounds to remove the fence, if the extension of the Fitchburg boulevard can be secured in no other way, and instructing the Committee to provide for the storage of the fence until further order of the City Council. Meanwhile the desirability of retaining the fence should be urged upon the attention of the Metropolitan Park Commissioners.

I have discussed at some length the subject matter of the order, for it seems to me that important questions are at issue, and that steps involving a sacrifice of city property of the value of nearly $10,000 should be taken only after thoughtful consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Albion A. Perry,

Mayor.

(Filed, together with order therein referred to, with the City Clerk, Oct. 22d.)

Read for information.

The order, returned by the Mayor with the foregoing veto message, authorizing the Committee on Public Grounds to dispose of the fence and granite posts, around Broadway Park, being reconsidered, the order was laid on the table. — Order ✓

On recommendation from the Chief of Police, His Honor the Mayor — Appointment ✓

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appointed, subject to confirmation by the board, Albert Gilman, who is janitor of the Sanford Hanscom school, a special police without compensation.

Rules suspended and appointment confirmed.

√ Appointments — Received a communication from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, recommending for permanent appointment, under the Civil Service rules and the ordinances of the city, the following-named permanent members of the fire department who have served the probationary term of six months:—

Jesse A. Lipsett, Operator of Tanks, Chemical A.
Harry W. Elwell, Relief Driver.
Henry J. Turner, Driver of Hose Wagon, Engine 1.
Wilfred Young, Hoseman, Chemical A.

Rules suspended and appointments confirmed.

√ Declinations — Received declinations of appointments as election officers, as follows:—

Albert Gilman, Inspector, Ward 2 - Precinct 2.
Thomas A. Cunningham, Deputy Inspector, Ward 2 - Precinct 4.
Charles Orton, Deputy Inspector, Ward 3 - Precinct 1.

Accepted.

√ Communication — Received a communication from the League of American Municipalities, extending to the Mayor and City Council an invitation to become a member of the league.

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, Nov 9. Read for information.

√ Notice — Received notice from the Republican City Committee, by John F. Foster, president, that the republican caucuses will be held in the several wards of the city, Tuesday evening, November 15th, at 7 P.M.

Placed on file.

√ Petitions — Received petitions, each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors:—

William H. Jordan, William J. McCarthy and Guy R. Perkins, all approved by the Chief of Police.

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Licenses granted.

Received a petition from the Tufts College Foot Ball Association for a license for an exhibition foot-ball game on Tufts Oval, Thursday afternoon, October 27th, recommended by the Chief of Police. — Petition ✓

License granted.

Received petitions for licenses to cry their goods in the streets, from — Petitions ✓

Georgios Brunitas, of 17 Cross St., Boston, who has a $50.00 State license,
Joseph Hill, of 13 South St., Somerville,
approved by the Chief of Police.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received a petition from Alfred Hartell, for a license to keep a pool table at "59 Newton street. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received a petition from Charles Callahan, for permission to build and maintain projections over sidewalks, as follows:— at Nos. 124 to 128 A Cross street, the coving of two bay windows in second and third stories, and on Fountain avenue, the coving of one bay window in second and third stories of the same building, each of said coverings to be about 7 feet long and to project over the sidewalk 18 inches. — Petition ✓ and

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

Accompanying the foregoing petition was the following order of notice:— — Order of Notice ✓

Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered that seven days' notice be given by the petitioners to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday, the ninth day of November, 1898, at 8 o'clock P.M., at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, at which time any parties, who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Somerville Citizen of the 28th inst.

Adopted.

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√ Petitions

Received petitions for licenses to keep horses from,-
Clarence B. Hill, Bedford, Mass., 20 horses in stable at #34 Prospect street;
Charles D. Bose, Jr., New London, Conn., 18 horses in stable at #159 Pearl street,
Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from,-
Duncan A. McLean and others, for a catch-basin on the southwest side of Highland avenue, corner of Lowell street;
William A. Fletcher, for two catch-basins in Tennyson street south of Medford street;
Referred to Committee on Sewers.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from,-
The Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company, for permission to lay and maintain gas pipes in Washington and Prospect streets, from the line of said company located in Cambridge street, in the Charlestown District of Boston, to the boundary line of Cambridge, as more fully shown on plan by Louis J. Hirt, dated September 15, 1898, and filed with the petition.
Gahana Cahill and others, for edgestones on the easterly side of Trull street from Vernon street to Medford street
Referred to Committee on Highways

√ Petition

Received a petition from Warren Pollard and others, for the relaying of the brick sidewalk on the westerly side of Central street from Ames street to Vernon street
Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Nov 9. Reference concurred in.

√ Order

Alderman Cummings offered the following order,-
Upon the notice received in this board this evening from the Republican City Committee, of caucuses to be held in the several wards of the city, by the Republican party on Tuesday evening, November 15th,- said notice being given in accordance with the provisions of section 95 of chapter 548 of the Acts of the year 1898, it is hereby
Ordered:-
That polling places for said caucuses be and they hereby are,

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assigned as follows:-

in Ward One.

the ward room in the Prescott Schoolhouse on Pearl street.

in Ward Two.

Union Hall in Connor Building on Bow street;

in Ward Three.

Odd Fellows Hall on Broadway, at the corner of Marshall street,

in Ward Four.

Columbian Hall in Studio Building, on Davis square.

and the Committee on Public Property is hereby instructed to cause said polling places to be provided and prepared for the purposes of said caucuses, the expense so incurred to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 27, 1898.

The Committee on Licenses,- Reports ✓

on the petitions of Thomas M. Foley and Lemong Marchant, for licenses to cry their goods in the streets, reported an order;

on the petition of Gregor Cristo, for a license to cry his goods in the streets, reported leave to withdraw;

on petitions for licenses as common victuallers from Mary C. Moore, #510 Somerville avenue,- Oliver F. Goodspeed, #302 Somerville avenue,- John H. Hull, #33 Elm street, and Mrs. Ellie G. Lingley, #669 Somerville avenue, reported orders;

on the petition of John H. Hull, for a license to keep an intelligence office at #33 Elm street, reported an order;

on the petition of Edward H. Hunter, for a license as a private detective, reported an order;

on the petition of Frank A. Robie, for a license of the sixth class, for the sale of intoxicating liquors, at his apothecary store, #482A Medford street, reported an order.

Accepted.

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows,- Orders ✓

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to each of the following-named

persons to cry their goods in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Thomas A. Foley - domestic fruit, fish and vegetables.

Lemony Merchant - " " " " "

Ordered:-

That a license as a common victualler, under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to the following-named party, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
Mary C. Moore	510 Somerville avenue

Ordered:-

That a license as a common victualler under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to each of the following-named parties, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
Oliver F. Goodspeed	302 Somerville avenue
John H. Hull	33 Elm street
Mrs. Allie E. Lingley	669 Somerville avenue

Ordered:-

That a license to keep an Intelligence Office, under the laws of the Commonwealth, be issued to the following-named party at the place of business hereinafter specified, when the City Clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for such license, which license shall expire on the first day of May, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Place of Business
John H. Hull	33 Elm street

Ordered:-

That a license as a private detective, under the provisions of section 7 of Chapter 103 of the Public Statutes, be issued to Edward H. Hunter, when he shall have paid into the City Treasury the sum of ten dollars for

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such license and shall have furnished a bond with two sureties, in the sum of two thousand dollars, approved by this board; said license to expire May 1, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Ordered:-

That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to issue to Frank A. Robie, druggist and apothecary and registered pharmacist, a license of the sixth class for the sale of intoxicating liquors, for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes only, and to such persons only as may certify in writing for what use they want it, at his place of business "452 & Medford street, in the front room on the first floor, when he shall have filed with the City Treasurer a satisfactory bond, with surety, in the sum of one thousand dollars, and shall have paid the fee provided by law; said license to expire May 1, 1899, unless sooner forfeited or rendered void.

Adopted.

The Committee on Highways,- — Reports ✓

on the petition of the Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to replace one pole on Murdock street, easterly side, at the angle, about 690 feet east of Cedar street, reported an order;

on petitions from the Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to erect and maintain poles on Allen, Marshall and Crescent streets and to remove one pole on Grand View avenue, reported an order;

on the petition of Edmund S. Sparrow, for permission to construct two coal-holes in the sidewalk in front of "425 Highland avenue, reported an order;

Accepted.

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows,- — Orders ✓

Orders granting locations to the Somerville Electric Light Company in Murdock street — Acceptance and Argument filed, December 3, '898

and

Marshall street, Crescent street and Allen street, — See page 406.

the poles now standing in Marshall and Crescent streets, and also one in

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Grand View avenue to be removed, as recorded respectively, on pages 138 and 139 of volumes of the Records of Pole and Wire, Street Railways and Hoving Buildings, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Ordered:-

That a permit be issued to Edmund S. Sparrow to construct two coal-holes in the sidewalk of Highland avenue in front of and close to the building numbered 445 on said avenue, when he shall have filed with the City Clerk a bond, in the sum of five thousand dollars, with two good and sufficient sureties, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to save the city harmless against all liability for damage on account of said coal-holes. Each of said coal-holes is to be provided with a cover so constructed as to prevent any person from stepping into the hole when the cover is raised, and so secured when down that it cannot be raised from the sidewalk without being first released from the inside, and the said coal-holes and covers are to be in all respects satisfactory to the Superintendent of Streets.

Adopted.

Report

The Committee on Highways reported that in pursuance of orders dated, respectively, July 15, August 10 and September 14, sidewalks have been constructed as follows,-

Banks street, both sides, from Elm St. to Summer St., edgestone and gravel,

Beech street, N'ly side, in front of the Martin H. Carr schoolhouse, edgestone and bricks,

Concord avenue, southerly side, from Springfield street to Lee street, edgestone and gravel,

Concord avenue, N'ly side from Marion street to Hyatt street, edgestone and bricks,

Cutter avenue, both sides, from Summer street to Highland avenue, edgestone and gravel,

Russell street, s'ly side, from Orchard street to the Cambridge Line, edgestone and gravel,

and submitted lists of assessments for one half the cost.

Accepted.

Assessments

The lists of assessments submitted with the foregoing report, with warrants and orders for their collection, for the construction of sidewalks in

Banks street,

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Perry street,
Concord avenue, northerly side,
Concord avenue, southerly side,
Butler avenue,
and
Russell street,

are recorded, respectively, on pages 297 to 300, 301 to 304, 305 to 308, 309 to 312, 313 to 316, and 317 to 320, inclusive, of volume 8 of the Records of Sidewalk Assessments, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Adopted.

The Committee on Highways, on the petition of Thomas A. Grove and others for the laying out of Oxford street from School street to Central street, presented a favorable report as recorded on page 129 of volume 8 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Accepted in concurrence.

Accompanying the foregoing report was an order of notice of a hearing on the laying out of Oxford street, as recorded on page 130 of volume 8 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. Order of Notice ✓

Read twice and adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 10, 1895.

Alderman Darlin offered the following order, - Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Soldiers Relief be, and hereby is, authorized and instructed to purchase turkeys for Thanksgiving, and to distribute them to the needy soldiers and sailors, and families of soldiers and sailors, of the Civil war, residing in this city, the sum so expended not to exceed seven hundred dollars and to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Read twice and adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Read twice and adopted in con-

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concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 11, 1898.

Communication

Received a communication from the joint special committee appointed to consider the subject of the City Charter, extending an invitation to His Honor the Mayor and the members of the City Council to meet the committee, informally, in the Common Council Chamber, in the City Hall, on the evening of Tuesday, November 1, at eight o'clock.

Invitation accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Invitation accepted in concurrence.

Report

The joint special committee appointed under an order approved April 25, 1898, to confer with the Officials of the Boston & Maine Railroad in relation to the matter of placing a flagman at the Prundike street crossing, or the construction of a bridge over or a subway under the railroad tracks at said crossing, and which were instructed by an order dated September 14, to procure an estimate of the cost of abolishing said grade crossing, reported as follows:-

The cost of constructing a subway would be $14,000, and the cost of a bridge would be far in excess of said figure.

The committee having conferred with the officials of the B & A.R.R. with reference to the matter of taking down the fence and placing a flagman at that place until such time as something by way of bridge or subway can be accomplished for the better accommodation of people who are compelled to cross the tracks at that point, report that the company deems it inexpedient to take any action, their attorney having decided that the City of Somerville has no legal right in the premises, and that the B & A.R.R. Co. would not do anything unless they desire so to do. Yet they desire to receive some proposition from the city as to what we expect them to do, either in the matter of bridge or subway. A great number of people crossing daily at this unsafe place, your committee therefore recommends that the city solicitor be instructed to ascertain what rights our city has at the crossing and report his findings to the city council, that the city may act intelligently in this important matter.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Accepted in concurrence.

Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order.-

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Ordered:-

That the City Solicitor be, and he hereby is, directed to ascertain what rights the city may have in the matter of the removal of the fence at the Thorndike street crossing of the Boston and Maine Railroad and to report his findings to the City Council.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 11, 1898.

Adjourned.

Attest.

George A. Vincent
Clerk

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Somerville, November 9, 1895 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tabor, Darling, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings & Pall present.
Records approved.

✓ Veto Message

Received the following veto message from His Honor, the Mayor,-
City of Somerville, Mass.
Mayor's Office
October 29th, 1895.

To the Board of Aldermen of Somerville,
Gentlemen:

I return herewith, disapproved, an order which originated in your Honorable Board, directing the City Treasurer to transfer the sum of three hundred and ten dollars from "Highways, Steam Road Roller account" to "Sidewalks account."

In the month of June of the present year, I vetoed several items in the order providing for appropriations on Funded Debt account. Among the items thus vetoed was one of five thousand dollars for the construction of sidewalks, and I then stated that it seemed to me unwise to swell the volume of our public debt for such an object. It is true the City Council did not agree with me upon that question, and the appropriation was made. I still believe, however, that it is bad practice to build sidewalks with borrowed money, and as the order now under consideration merely adds to the amount of funded debt already created for that purpose, I am compelled to withhold my approval of the measure. The small balance remaining unexpended in the Steam Road Roller account will, if I mistake not, be found very useful before the close of the year in providing for deficiencies in important appropriations.

With a tax rate of $17.90 on a thousand, and a somewhat general complaint of high valuations of property, it seems to me that economy should be practiced in every department, and that no unnecessary addition should be made to the burden of our indebtedness.

I have approved the orders adopted by both branches of the City Council

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on the municipal instant, by which the sum of four thousand dollars was transferred from Armory account to the Hand Fire Schoolhouse account, for this transfer seems to me reasonable and proper. You will recall that I also vetoed the Armory appropriation, on the ground that fifteen thousand dollars was an excessive amount. I am pleased to note that, after the lapse of several months, the City Council has voluntarily made a substantial reduction in the appropriation in conformity to the recommendation contained in my veto message.

Respectfully submitted,

Albion A. Perry,

Mayor.

Read for information.

Upon the order returned by the Mayor with the foregoing veto message, directing the transfer of $310.00 from Highways, Steam Road Roller account to Sidewalks account, the adoption of the order was reconsidered and lost by a yea and nay vote, all of the members of the Board - 5, voting in the negative. — Order ✓

In pursuance of an order passed October 26th, a hearing was given on the petition of Charles Gallehan for permission to build and maintain projections over sidewalks, as follows:— At Nos. 124 to 128 A. Grove street, the covings of two bay windows in second and third stories and on Fountain avenue the coving of one bay window in second and third stories of the same building, each of said covings to be about 7 feet long and to project over the sidewalk 15 inches; due notice of the hearing having been published by the petitioner as directed by said order. — Hearing ✓

Mr Gallehan, the petitioner, appeared and desired to withdraw so much of the petition as relates to projections over the sidewalks on Fountain avenue.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

In pursuance of orders approved October 10th, hearings were given for all persons desiring to object to the construction of sidewalks in Cypress street — Hearings ✓

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and

Joy street

due notice of the hearings having been given as appears by the officer's returns recorded respectively on pages 149 & 152 of volume 4, of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearings were closed.

✓ Order

Alderman Lamont offered the following order, -

Ordered: -

That a message be sent to the common council requesting a convention of the two branches of the city council in the common council chamber this evening for the purpose of giving hearings, for all persons desiring to object, in the following matters, namely, -

Taking of land for sewer in Packard avenue and Private Lands,

Taking of land for sewer in land of the Estate of Levi Russell, from Apple street to Mystic Grove,

Laying out of Cook street

Laying out of Marion street

order of notice of such hearings having been approved October 20.

Adopted, and Alderman Lamont appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council.

In Common Council Nov. 9 Request granted and Councilman Kenney appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.

Convention

In Convention of the City Council

His Honor, Mayor Perry, presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tabor, Durkin, Lamont, Kilham, Cummings & Ball, President Wilson and Councilmen Kenney, Cushman, Thomson, Burrows, Gracey, Carter, Perry, Lord, Kimball & Foster present.

✓ Hearings

In pursuance of order approved October 20th and an order passed this evening, hearings were given for all persons desiring to object, in

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the matters of the taking of lands for the purposes of common sewers in

Packard avenue and Private Lands, and

Land of the Estate of Levi Russell from North street to Mewife Brook,

and the laying out of

Cook street,

and

Marion street,

due notice of the hearings having been given as appears by the officer's returns recorded, respectively, on pages 11 and 3 of volume 2 of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Order to Construct Sewers, and pages 115 and 123 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

In the hearing on the taking of land for sewer purposes in Packard avenue and Private Lands, Mr. Samuel F. Teele, in behalf of Samuel Teele and Mrs. Samuel F. Teele, appeared and objected because the sewer is not needed for their accommodation as there are but two buildings on their lands and their drain into the low lands of the farm, and further because the construction of the sewer would very seriously injure their lands which are now used for a vegetable farm.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard in either case the hearings were closed.

The purposes for which it was assembled having been accomplished, the convention was dissolved and the Mayor and Aldermen returned to their chamber. — Convention dissolved

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In Board of Aldermen — Board of Aldermen

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.

On petition of Owen L. Casey for appointment as a constable, recommended by sundry Boston lawyers and also by the Chief of Police, the — Appointment ✓

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Mayor appointed said Owen L. Casey a constable of the City of Somerville.
Rules suspended and appointment confirmed.

√ Report. Received the report of the Chief of Police for the month of October.
Placed on file.

√ Communication. Received from the City Solicitor a communication, returning the petition of the Fitchburg Railroad for an alteration in the highway bridge at the crossing of Beacon street, now pending before the County Commissioners, which petition was placed in the hands of the solicitor October 12th, reporting that a hearing was held before the Commissioners November 9th and continued until November 29th, and that in his judgment the petition should be referred to a committee of the City Council.

Communication and petition therein mentioned referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Reference concurred in.

√ Resignation. Received the resignation of William H. Cotter as clerk of elections for Ward 3, Precinct 1, he having since the state election ceased to be a qualified voter of the City of Somerville as he has recently moved from the city.

Accepted.

√ Communication. Received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth a copy of a report made by the Secretary, the Treasurer and Receiver General and the Auditor of Accounts of the Commonwealth upon an examination made under the provisions of Section 267 of Chapter 545 of the Acts of 1898, of three voting machines, approving of the United States Voting Machine, and stating in the report that whether the use of more than one machine will be necessitated by the requirements of the Massachusetts Election Law that a voter shall vote separately and not collectively for the candidates of his choice is a matter of doubt which can be determined only by experience.

The secretary in his communication said that it should be distinctly understood:-

First.- That the examining commission make no recommendation for or against the purchase and use of machine, that question being left entirely to the discretion of the several cities and towns.

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Second.- That the registering feature of the machine must not be employed in the election of congressmen or representatives in the General Court, for which written or printed ballots are required by a law of the United States and the Constitution of Massachusetts.

Placed on file.

Received a bond as a private detective, in the sum of $3000.00 and in form approved by the City Solicitor, from Edward H. Hunter, Jr., with the American Surety Company of New York as surety. — Bond ✓

Accepted and approved.

Received the following paper endorsed on an attested copy of the order passed by this board October 12 granting track locations to the West End Street Railway Company in Bow and Summer streets:- — Acceptance and Agreement ✓

Boston, October 15th, 1895.

To the Board of Aldermen
of the City of Somerville.

Gentlemen:

The West End Street Railway Company, by its Attorney, the Boston Elevated Railway Company, hereto duly authorized, hereby accepts the within order passed by your Board October 12th, 1895, granting said West End Street Railway Company a location for tracks in Bow and Summer streets, from Union Square to a point in Summer Street one hundred and five feet southeasterly from Bentley St. and agrees to comply with the conditions herein.

West End Street Railway Company.
By The Boston Elevated Railway Company, Its Attorney.
By William A. Gaston
President.

Approved as to form
Frank H. Kaan, City Solr.
11/1/95.

(Received by the City Clerk, November 1st)
Placed on file.

Received a petition, signed by the step-father of the proposed licensee, that a license to sell newspapers be granted to Ernest H. Hartz. — Petition ✓

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aged 14,
recommended by the Chief of Police.
License granted.

√ Petition — Received a petition from Ward A. Wilson for a license to give a theatrical entertainment in Union Hall, Thursday, October 27th; recommended by the Chief of Police. (Received at City Clerk's office after date of entertainment.)
Placed on file.

√ Petition — Received a petition from the Tufts College Foot-ball Association for a license to have an exhibition foot-ball game on the Tufts Oval, Thursday afternoon, Nov 4;
recommended by the Chief of Police, approved by the Mayor and license issued by the City Clerk.
Issuing of license approved.

√ Petition — Received a petition from the Somerville Historical Society for a license to give eleven musical and tableaux entertainments in Union Hall, Bow street, from November 28th to December 3d, inclusive, 6 evenings and 5 afternoons.
recommended by the Chief of Police.
License granted.

√ Petitions — Received petitions for licenses to cry their goods in the streets, from—
Tony Cianciolo, 28 South Margin Street, Boston,
Arthur G. LeFebvre, 11 Harrison Street, Somerville,
the first-named petitioner holding a pedler's State license for Somerville,
both recommended by the Chief of Police.
Referred to Committee on Licenses.

√ Petitions — Received petitions from—
Matteo and Rito M. Domenico, for a license to play a piano-organ in the streets;
Margaret Hennessey, that her license as a common victualler may hereafter

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apply to premises 524 B. Medford street, instead of those numbered 528 Medford street.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

Received a remonstrance from C. O. Loomis against the granting of permission to C. D. Bass to erect and maintain additions to a stable at "159 Pearl street, in order that he may accommodate a large number of horses. — Remonstrance ✓

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

Received a petition from M. H. Carr and Company for permission to keep 25 horses in a stable to be erected in rear of Gorham street. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

Received a petition from Walter H. Gleason for permission to build and maintain projections over sidewalks as follows - On southwesterly side of Pearl street on land next to block on southeast corner of Pearl and Walnut streets, a bay window in second and third stories, extreme width 13 feet where it adjoins the building, to project over the sidewalk 2 feet 6 inches; also the coving of the building, for a distance of about 36 feet, to project over the sidewalk 18 inches. — Petition ✓ and

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

The foregoing petition was accompanied by the following order of notice: — Order of Notice ✓

Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered that seven days' notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday, the 23rd day of November, 1898, at 8 o'clock, P. M., at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, at which time any parties, who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Somerville Citizen of the 11th inst.

Adopted.

Received petitions from, — Petitions ✓

Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to remove a pole from the southeast corner of Hanson and Shehan streets, and to erect and maintain a pole on the southwest corner of Hanson

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and Skehan streets.

Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to remove a pole from the north corner of Tufts and Glen streets, and to erect and maintain a pole on the east corner of Tufts and Glen streets.

Park Avenue M. E. Church and others, for a brick sidewalk on the northeasterly side of Park avenue between Elm and Chandler streets.

Referred to Committee on Highways.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from,-

Lawrence Cotter for the construction of a driveway in front of 487 Somerville avenue;

Mrs A. A. Kining and others, for a crossing on the north side of Beacon street, corner of Sacramento street, for the benefit of the passengers getting off the cars.

Albert A. Bridgham and others, for a crossing across Highland avenue midway between Kinal avenue and Walnut street and opposite the concrete walk in the Central Hill Park.

North Packing and Provision Company and others, that South street, from Harding street westerly to Water street, and Water street, from South street northerly to Fitchburg Railroad, may be put in a passable condition for teams, as they are now unfit for travel.

Annie L. Fletcher and others, for the acceptance of Tennyson street, from Medford street to Pembroke street.

Referred to Committee on Highways.

√ Copy of Order

Received the following copy from the Records of the County Commissioners relating to alterations in the bridge over the Boston and Lowell Railroad at School street.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex, ss.

At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex, holden at Lowell within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight,

The Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation by its petition to said Commissioners - among other matters - prays that in the matter of the alteration of certain bridges in Somerville and Medford as ordered by said Commissioners by decree of February 17, 1857, that said order may be amended, so

far as the same relates to the School Street bridge in Somerville as will more fully appear, reference being had to the petition filed of record in the case.

The petition was presented to the County Commissioners, at their meeting holden at Lowell, within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of September A.D. 1898, to wit: by adjournment thereof at Cambridge, within and for said county, on the twenty fourth day of September 1898, when and where said Commissioners caused notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place when and where they would meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties as by their order of notice on file and of record will more fully appear. And thereupon said petition has been continued to this time.

And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises, as follows: The County Commissioners for said County, having given notice as the law directs, met at the Court House, in Cambridge, in said County, on the twenty sixth day of October in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, when and where the parties appeared, and the City of Somerville making no objection to the amendment contained in the prayer of the petition, and no one appearing to object and the premises having been viewed and the parties fully heard, said Commissioners do determine that for the greater security and convenience of the public, it is deemed best that certain changes, and modifications in said order of said Commissioners of February 17, 1897 be made, – Said changes and modifications are as follows –

1. The second paragraph under the heading "School Street Bridge" – in said order shall be altered so that the clear headroom over the top of the rail nearest the easterly abutment shall be sixteen feet and one inch (16'-1") instead of seventeen and five tenths (17.5) feet, so that the decree shall read "the top of the planking of the roadway not to exceed eighteen feet seven inches (18'-7") above the top of the rail nearest the easterly abutment, and the bottom of the bridge to be not less than sixteen feet and one inch (16'-1") above the top of said rail.

2. The third paragraph which provides that the face of the abutments shall be thirty-one (31) feet at right angles from the center line of said railroad, shall be changed so as to read as follows: – "that the face of the easterly abutment shall be thirty-seven (37) feet from the said center line of said Railroad and the face of the easterly abutment twenty-five (25) feet from the center

line of said Railroad.

The height of the said bridge as above authorized to be subject to the consent of the Board of Railroad Commissioners, as provided by section 120 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes.

And said Commissioners order that said return be accepted, and recorded, and that all the matters therein named be done and performed accordingly.

In Witness Whereof, the said County Commissioners have hereunto set their hands this twenty-ninth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Levi S. Gould
Sarah O. Upham
Francis Bigelow

A true copy of record.

Attest:

Wm. B. Dillingham
Asst. Clerk

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council Nov 9. Read for information.

√ Petitions

Received petitions from:-

Richard T. Grow & others, for an electric or gas light on Robinson street, half way between Central & Bartlett streets.

Margaret A. Simpson, for a street light on Broadway, at the corner of Simpson avenue.

Referred to Committee on Fuel & Street Lights and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, November 9. Reference concurred in.

√ Petition.

Received a petition from the Trustees of Tufts College, for permission to move a wooden building, measuring 32 feet in length, 24 feet in breadth and 32 feet in extreme height, now standing on land in the city of Medford on the northerly side of Curtis avenue near College avenue, through land of the petitioners and across College avenue to land of the petitioners in use of Packard avenue; certified by the Superintendent of Streets and the Superintendent of Electric Power that the statement as to construction and measurement is substantially correct and in their opinion the proposed removal can

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be made without injury to public or private property.

Read for information.

Alderman Lapham offered an order granting permission to the Trustees of Tufts College to move a wooden building through land of the petitioners and across College avenue, as recorded on page 524 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways and Moving Buildings, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. — Order ✓

Adopted.

The Committee on Licenses, on the petition of Alfred Martell for a license to keep one pool table at 59 Newton street, reported an order. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows,— — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That a license, under the laws of the Commonwealth, to keep, for public hire, Billiard, Pool, or Sippio Tables, or Bowling Alleys, as hereinafter stated, be issued to the following named party, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for each table or alley to be kept under said license; such license to expire on the first day of May, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Number of Tables or Alleys: Billiard Tables	Pool Tables	Sippio Tables	Bowling Alleys	To be kept at
Alfred Martell		1			59 Newton street

Adopted.

The Committee on Special Building Permits, on the petition of Clarence E. Hill for a license to keep 20 horses in a stable at 54 Prospect street, reported leave to withdraw. — Report ✓

Accepted.

On the petition of Charles Callahan for permission to build and maintain certain projections over the sidewalks of Cross street and Fountain avenue, Alderman Lapham, the chairman of the Committee on Special Building Permits, reported leave to withdraw and Alderman Huntley, the other member — Report ✓

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of said committee submitted an order.

Acceptance of report of Alderman Lapham lost.

Acceptance of report of Alderman Huntley lost.

√ Order

One the order offered by Alderman Huntley, granting to Charles Callahan permission to build and maintain projections over sidewalks as follows:- At Nos. 124 to 128 A Cross street, the coving of two bay windows in the second and third stories, and on Fountain avenue the coving of one bay window in second and third stories of the same building, each of said covings to be about seven feet long and to project over the sidewalk 18 inches, the adoption of the order was lost.

√ Resolves and Orders

Resolves and orders for the taking of land for the purposes of common sewers in

Packard avenue and Private Lands

Land of Estate of Levi Russell from North street to Alewife Brook, as recorded, respectively, on pages 11 to 16 and 3 to 8 inclusive, of volume 2 of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, were

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, November 9th, 1898.

√ Orders

Alderman Lamont offered orders for the construction of common sewers in

Packard avenue and Private Lands

and

Land of the Estate of Levi Russell, from North street to Alewife Brook, as recorded, respectively, on pages 652 and 654 of volume 1 of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 10th

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The Committee on Sewers, — Report ✓

submitted the following list of proposals received to construct in Packard avenue, from the manhole at Electric avenue northeasterly about 400 feet to a proposed boulevard and thence westerly across private lands to the manhole in Curtis street, about 400 feet of 24" x 16" brick sewer and 735 feet of 12" pipe sewer, with one manhole, the pipe and the manhole frame and cover to be furnished by the city.

Name of bidder	Manhole	24" x 16" brick sewer per lin. foot	12" pipe sewer per lin. foot	Estimated Aggregate
Daniel A. Dorey	$ 40.00	$ 1.95	$ 0.50	$ 1187.50
D. C. Collins	33.00	1.75	0.41	1034.35
M. Buttimer	40.00	1.70	0.40	1014.00
R. Falvey	31.00	1.62	0.39	965.65
T. F. Crimmings	30.00	1.47	0.34	867.90

and presented an order.

submitted the following list of proposals received to construct, in land of the estate of Levi Russell, between the manhole in North street and the manhole in the Metropolitan sewer near Alewife Brook, about 440 feet of 12" pipe sewer and 340 feet of 10" underdrain, with two manholes, and between the end of said 10" underdrain and Alewife Brook, 280 feet of 12" pipe sewer, the pipe and manhole frames and covers to be furnished by the city.

Name of bidder	Manholes each	12" sewer per lin. ft.	10" underdrain per lin. ft.	12" Met. sewer per lin. ft.	Estimated Aggregate
D. C. Collins	$ 33.00	$ 0.69	$ 0.30	$ 0.41	$ 586.40
T. F. Crimmings	35.00	0.75	0.25	0.35	583.00
Daniel A. Dorey	60.00	0.50	0.30	0.50	582.00
R. Falvey	70.00	0.47	0.15	0.40	509.80

and presented an order.

Accepted.

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows. — Orders ✓

Ordered —

That the Committee on Sewers be, and they hereby are,

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authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with Timothy F. Crimmings for the construction of a common sewer in Packard avenue and Private Lands, - from the manhole at Electric avenue northeasterly about 400 feet to a proposed boulevard and thence westerly across private lands to the manhole in Curtis street, - at the prices named in his proposal submitted in said committee's report this evening.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Sewers be, and they hereby are, authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to make a contract with Richard Falvey for the construction of a common sewer in Private Lands, - between the manhole in North street and the Metropolitan manhole near Mewife Brook, a distance of about 440 feet, - at the prices named in his proposal submitted in said committee's report this evening.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 10, 1898.

√ Order. On motion of Alderman Lapham, the order passed by this board October 26th, granting pole locations to the Somerville Electric Light Company in Marshall, Crescent and Allen streets, with permission to remove certain posts, was reconsidered and laid upon the table.

√ Order. Alderman Lapham offered an order granting to the Somerville Electric Light Company, locations for posts and permission to remove posts in Marshall, Crescent and Allen streets, and permission to remove a post on Grand View Avenue, as recorded on page 140 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways and Moving Buildings, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Acceptance and Agreement filed, Dec. 3, 1898.

Adopted.

√ Reports. The Committee on Highways:-

√ on the petition of the Cambridge Gas Light Company for permission to lay, temporarily, a 16" gas main on the inside of the Beacon street bridge over the Fitchburg Railroad, reported an order;

√ on the petition of D. H. Sanborn, General Superintendent of the Boston and Maine Railroad, for permission to string a telephone wire over buildings, from a point near the old Asylum grounds, across

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Washington street and up Florence street to No. 59 on said street, for railroad purposes, reported leave to withdraw;

on the petitions of H. L. Crane and others and Charles P. Lincoln and others, for the granting of the petition of the Boston Elevated Railway Company for locations for turnouts for a single track on Summer street, reported no action necessary, as the matter has been adjusted by the Board of Aldermen;

on the petition of the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company, for permission to lay a pipe line in Washington and Prospect streets, reported an order;

on orders, dated, respectively, June 15th, September 14th, and October 13th, for the construction of sidewalks as follows,- for James H. Maguire in front of his estate, southwest side of Medford street, southeasterly from Partridge avenue, edgestones with bricks,- for Annie A. Terrio, in front of his estate Nos. 29, 31 and 31 A. Vernon street, edgestones with bricks,- and for Henry A. Stevens in front of his estate No. 16 Preston avenue, bricks, reported that sidewalks have been constructed as authorized by said orders, the several parties having first deposited with the City Treasurer a sum sufficient, approximately, to meet the cost;

Accepted.

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows,- Orders ✓

Ordered:- [illegible] 1898

That a permit be issued to the Cambridge Gas Light Company to lay a gas pipe across Beacon street at the southerly side of the bridge in said Beacon street, over the Fitchburg Railroad, and to continue said pipe across said bridge upon its flooring and close to its westerly guard rail, to and into Somerville avenue, all in a manner satisfactory to the Committee on Highways and the Superintendent of Streets and in locations substantially as indicated on a sketch dated October 26, 1898, and filed by said company with the City Clerk. Said gas pipe, where laid above the surface of the ground or upon said bridge, shall not exceed 12 inches in inside diameter and shall, if said committee and superintendent shall so require, be encased in wood in a manner satisfactory to them. It is un-

directed that the bridge above referred to is to be removed, and a new bridge is to be substituted, and the privilege of maintaining said gas pipe upon the existing bridge is to continue only until the construction of the new bridge and may be revoked at any time by the Board of Aldermen.

Such permit shall not issue until written consent to the laying of said pipe across said bridge shall first have been given by the Fitchburg Railroad Company nor until the said Cambridge Gas Light Company shall have filed with the City Clerk an agreement in writing, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to restore the streets in which said pipe is to be laid, immediately after the laying of said pipe, to good condition satisfactory to the Committee on Highways and the Superintendent of Streets, to maintain said gas pipe, at all times, in a manner satisfactory to said committee and superintendent, to save the city harmless from all liability for damage by reason of the laying or maintenance of said pipe, and to reimburse the city for any expense which it may incur on account of such laying or maintenance, and for such further protection of the interests of the city as the city solicitor may deem advisable.

Adopted.

Whereas the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company desires for its pipe line the right to construct, maintain and operate the same in the streets, lanes and highways of the City of Somerville, between the pipe line of the Company located in Cambridge street in the Charlestown District of Boston, and the boundary line between said City of Somerville and the City of Cambridge on Prospect street,

the streets, highways and lanes in which the company desires to locate such pipe line being as follows: In Washington street, from its intersection with the line of the City of Boston to Prospect street: thence in Prospect street, to its intersection with the line of the City of Cambridge, and the termini and streets being more particularly shown on a plan by Louis J. Kirst dated September 5, 1895 and filed by said company as a part of its petition, - it is therefore

Ordered, that this board meet in its room at the City Hall on Highland avenue, in said city, on Wednesday the 23rd day of November 1895, at 8 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of hearing the matter of said petition, and considering said location, and that notice be given to all parties interested, to then and there appear, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Somerville Journal, a newspaper published in said Somerville, at

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least seven days before the time of said meeting and that a like copy be given to the said Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company or some officer or agent thereof, at least seven days before said meeting; and the City Clerk is hereby directed to cause the said notices to be given as aforesaid.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 10, 1898.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order:— Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the sum of four and 99/100 dollars from an assessment of twenty-one and 98/100 dollars, assessed to Catherine E. Howard, as a benefit accruing to her estate by the construction of a brick sidewalk on the northeasterly side of Highland avenue, and being lot No. 4, be and the same is hereby abated.

Adopted.

Alderman Lapham offered an order for the construction of sidewalks in Joy street, as recorded on page 153 of volume 4 of the Records of Sidewalks - Hearings and Construction - of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. Order ✓

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 9, 1898.

The Committee on Highways reported that in pursuance of orders dated, respectively, August 10th, September 14th, September 28th, October 12th and October 19th, sidewalks have been constructed as follows; in Report ✓

✓ Bonner avenue, northerly side, from Homer Sq. to Columbus avenue, brick;

✓ Columbus avenue, northwest side, from Bonner avenue in front of estate of Margaret C. Graham, brick;

✓ Franceson avenue, both sides, from Elm street to Liberty avenue, brick;

✓ Jenny Lind avenue, both sides, from Broadway to Medford street, gravel with edgestones;

✓ Medford and Pearl streets, easterly side, from School street to Masonic Building, brick;

✓ Morton street, both sides, from Glen street to Knowlton street, gravel with edgestones;

✓ Porter street, westerly side, from Highland avenue to northeasterly line of estate of Fond and Carey, exclusive of estate of Margaret E. Osborn,

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brick.

School street, westerly side, from Montrose street to Medford street, brick with edgestones; Trull street westerly side, from Medford street to Vernon street, gravel with edgestones; and submitted lists of assessments for one-half the cost.

Accepted.

√ Assessments

The lists of assessments, submitted with the foregoing report, with warrants and orders for their collection, for sidewalks in

Bonner avenue
Columbus avenue
Francesca avenue
Jenny Lind avenue
Medford and Pearl streets
Moxton street
Porter street
School street
and
Trull street

as recorded, respectively, on pages 321 to 324, 325 to 328, 329 to 332, 333 to 336, 337 to 340, 341 to 344, 345 to 348, 349 to 352, and 353 to 356, inclusive of volume 3 of the Records of Sidewalk Assessments of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Adopted.

√ Reports

The Committee on Highways,

√ on the petition of James G. Morison, that the sidewalk in front of the building which has recently been erected on the southerly side of Pearl street and numbered 220, 220 A and 220 B, be repaired and the space between said sidewalk and said building bricked at his expense, reported an order;

√ on petitions for street crossings from W. J. Lamb and others, across Elm street at Beach street, North Cambridge and across St. James avenue at Elm street; W. J. Lamb and others, across Elm street connecting with sidewalk on north side of Beach street, across Willow avenue at junction of Elm street and across St. James avenue at junction of Elm street; and Annie M. Milner and

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others, across Highland avenue from southeasterly corner of Prescott street, reported that crossings have been constructed as prayed for;

√ on orders, dated, respectively, July 13th, September 14th, and September 28th, for the construction of driveways for Henry L. Graustein at 95½ Porter street, Aaron H. Patten on Porter street at corner of Arnold Court and Laurin A. Woodward at 126 Central street, reported that driveways have been constructed as authorized by said orders, the several parties having first deposited with the city treasurer sums sufficient, approximately, to meet the cost;

√ on an order dated April 20th to place, on all buildings not already provided with numbers, suitable figures to designate the proper numbers, the expense to be charged to Miscellaneous account, reported that numbers have been procured and placed on buildings, where needed, at an expense of $74.16;

√ on an order dated July 27th, to make a contract with Patrick McGovern for the labor for paving Webster avenue, from the Cambridge line to the Fitchburg railroad, reported that a contract has been made and the work performed by said McGovern as authorized by said order;

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Accepted in concurrence.

The order submitted with the foregoing report is as follows,- Order. √

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and hereby is, authorized to repair the sidewalk in front of the estate of James H. Morrison, Nos. 230, 230 A. and 230 B. Pearl street, and to brick the space between said sidewalk and the building when he shall have deposited with the City Treasurer the sum of eighteen dollars, which sum is the estimated cost of bricking the space between the sidewalk and the building, the expense incurred in repairing the sidewalk to be charged to Highways account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

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Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 10, 1898

√ Resolves and Orders

Resolves and orders for the laying out of
Cook street
and
Marion street
as recorded, respectively, on pages 116 to 120 and 124 to 128, inclusive, of volume 3, of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, now
Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Nov. 9 Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 9, 1898

√ Reports

The Committee on Highways – in the matter of the laying out of
Kingston street (extension to Cambridge Line)
and
Hedge street,
submitted favorable reports, as recorded, respectively, on pages 137 and 145 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.
Accepted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Nov. 9 Accepted in concurrence.

√ Orders of Notice

Accompanying the foregoing reports were orders of notice of hearings on the laying out of
Kingston street (extension to Cambridge Line)
and
Hedge street,
as recorded, respectively, on pages 138 and 146 of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.
Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Nov. 9 Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 10, 1898

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The Committee on Public Property, on an order dated September 19th, to cause polling places to be provided and prepared for the Democratic caucus to be held Monday evening, September 26th, reported that said polling places were provided and prepared as authorized by said order. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The Committee on Public Property, — Reports ✓

on an order dated July 18, to provide additional school accommodations at the English High School, at a cost not to exceed one thousand dollars, reported that additional accommodations had been furnished at said building, as authorized by said order;

on an order dated July 20, to lay new floors and make general necessary repairs at the Foster school building, at an expense not to exceed two thousand dollars, reported that new floors were laid and general repairs made as authorized at a cost of $2083.00;

on the petition of H. L. Whitney, for the removal of the fence in front of the Foster school on Sycamore street, reported that the fence has been removed as prayed for;

on an order dated July 27, to make a contract with Alexander Duncan and Company for the furnishing of improved heating and ventilating apparatus for the Prescott school, for the sum of $5309.00, reported that a contract has been made, as authorized by said order;

on an order dated January 19, to make certain changes in the rooms on the third floor of the Native H. Guy school house, at a cost not exceeding $555.00 reported that the changes have been made as authorized by said order, by agreement with the contractor for said schoolhouse;

on an order dated April 30th, to expend not exceeding ninety-four dollars for the right of purchasing land on Washington street, known as the Flagg estate, for the erection of a schoolhouse, reported that said sum was expended as authorized and was credited to the city in the purchase of the land;

on an order dated September 14, to discharge of the buildings there standing

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on the city's land on Washington street near Dane street, the amount received to be credited to School-house, Ward two, account, reported that the buildings have been disposed of as authorized for the sum of seventy dollars.

in pursuance of an order dated May 11, reported that awnings and window and door screens have been purchased for the City Hall Annex, at a cost of one hundred and sixty dollars.

on the petitions of C Williams and others and the Somerville Veteran Firemen's Association, that said association may use the Water Works building, corner of Somerville Avenue and Prospect street, for meetings and the storage of its engine, reported an order,

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, November 9. Accepted in concurrence.

Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be, and it hereby is, authorized to sent to the Somerville Veteran Firemen's Association the main building formerly occupied by the Water Department, situated at the corner of Somerville avenue and Prospect street, for the sum of one dollar per year, the amount received for such rental to be credited to Miscellaneous account; such changes or alterations as may be necessary for the occupancy of the building by the said association shall be made at their own expense and subject to the approval of the committee on Public Property.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 15, 1898.

Report

The Committee on Public Grounds, which was authorized by an order dated May 11, to arrange with the Fifth Massachusetts Regiment Veteran Association for the locating of a tent on Central Hill Park on the occasion of said association's re-union in June last, and for any other necessary details, reported that all arrangements were made as authorized by said order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Accepted in concurrence.

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The Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, on petitions from — Reports ✓
Rebecca Hildebrand and others, for a light on Kilby street,
Charles W. White, for a light on Cross street in front of the New Free Will Baptist Church;
Thomas W. Taylor and others, for a light in Auburn Ave, and
Alexander W. Sprosse and others, for a light in Partridge avenue opposite No. 55;
reported an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Accepted in concurrence.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights be, and hereby is, authorized to locate Welsbach street lights as follows:—

one Welsbach light on Cross street opposite the new Free Will Baptist Church
one " " on Auburn avenue in front of the estate, No. 27
one " " on Partridge avenue, opposite No. 55
one " " on Kilby street in front of estate No. 6.
one " " on School street, opposite Maple avenue.
one " " on Bond street, about 100 ft. Ely from Broadway
one " " on Bond street at N'ly corner of Jaques street.
one " " on Thurston street in front of the estate of Luke W. Farmer
one " " on Fitchburg street, opposite Fitchburg court.
one " " on Fitchburg street, between Nos. 12 and 14.
one " " on Browning Road, northerly corner of Central St.

the expense so incurred to be charged to Street Lights account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Presented to the Mayor, Nov. 10.

Alderman Ball offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Electric Lines be, and it hereby is, authorized to locate posts as follows:—

One post on Chester street, at the northerly corner of Orchard street,
One post on the northerly side of Chester street in front of estate No. 37,
One post on the northerly side of Chester street in front of estate No. 29;
the location and section of such posts to be satisfactory to the Committee on Highways and the Superintendent of Electric Lines.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Apr. 9. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Apr. 10, 1898.

✓ Order. Alderman Cummings offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is directed to transfer the sum of eleven hundred twenty-four $ 3/100 ($1124.03) from School-house Incidentals account to Schoolhouse, Spring Hill District account.

Referred to Committee on Public Property and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Apr. 9. Adopted in non-concurrence. Sent up for information.

In Board of Aldermen, Apr. 9. Adhered to former action. Sent down for information.

✓ Order. Alderman Kilroe offered the following order.-

Ordered:-

That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to credit to Water Maintenance account, such sums as have been, or may be received from the City of Boston, on account of Metered Water Rates due December 31, 1897 but not collected until after January 1, 1898.

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 10, 1898.

✓ Order. Received from the Common Council the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Finance be, and it hereby is, request

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ed to consider the expediency of making an additional appropriation to Public Grounds account sufficient to defray the expense of keeping Broadway and Lincoln Parks flooded for skating, keeping the walks on Capitol Hill free from snow and ice, and exterminating brown tail and gypsy moths from trees on the public grounds of the city.

In Common Council, Apr. 9. Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, Apr. 9. Adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, Apr 10, 1895.

Received from the Common Council the following order,- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the joint special committee, appointed by an order of the City Council, approved June 16, 1895, to consider the subject of the City Charter, be, and it hereby is, authorized to perfect and present to the city council a draft of a new city charter.

(signed) Frank A. Gunner

In Common Council, Apr. 9. Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, Apr 9. Adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, Apr. 10, 1895.

Received from the Common Council, the following order,- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Ordinances be, and it hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of amending Section 13 of Chapter 4 of the Revised Ordinances of 1891, entitled "Finance", so that it shall read as follows:- Sealed bids or proposals, except as provided by Section 12 of Chapter 4, received by any committee, must be placed in a locked or sealed box to be opened in the presence of the committee and the bidders, and no bid or proposal received after the time specified for receiving the same shall be considered.

(signed) David D. Lord

In Common Council, Apr. 9. Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, Apr. 9 Adoption lost.

The clerk of this board having notified the Common Council that this board had non-concurred in the adoption of the foregoing order contemplating an amendment to Section 13 of Chapter 4 of the Revised Ordinances of 1891, the communication sent by the clerk was received back from the common council endorsed as follows:- Committee of conference asked for, and Councilmen Kenney, Cushman and Spacey appointed on the part of this branch. Sent up for information.

In Board of Aldermen, Nov. 9. Clerk instructed to inform the common council that in the judgment of this board, the circumstances do not warrant the appointment of Committees of Conference, as the order referred to has been wholly rejected by this board. Sent down for information.

1 Order

Alderman Lamont offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Ordinances be, and hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of submitting a draft of an ordinance which shall instruct the Superintendent of Public Buildings to require the City street lines where buildings are to be constructed and when plans for said building is submitted, to ascertain that no portion of the building shall project over the sidewalks of the city.

Adoption lost.

1 Order
Taking of Land for Park purposes on Prospect Hill.

Alderman Ball offered the following order,-

Whereas it is deemed advisable, and expedient that the city of Somerville, a municipal corporation duly established by law within the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, should take, maintain and hold in fee for the purpose hereinafter set forth, the parcel of land hereinafter described,-

Now, therefore, be it known, and it is hereby ordered that by virtue and in execution of the authority conferred by chapter two hundred and fifty-three of the Acts of the Legislature of said Commonwealth for the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight entitled "An act to authorize the City of Somerville to acquire and lay out certain land for a Public Park," and by virtue and in execution of every other power and authority it hereto enabling, the said City of Somerville, by its City Council has taken, and does hereby take in fee, (and will and does hereby take, main-

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tain, and hold in fee) for the purpose of a public park, a certain parcel of land, with all the privileges, easements and appurtenances thereto belonging, situated in the said Somerville and shown on a plan herein annexed entitled "City of Somerville, Plan showing land taken for a Park on Prospect Hill in Somerville, November 9, 1898, Ernest W. Bailey, City Engineer." Said parcel of land is bounded as follows: Beginning at a point on the southwesterly side of Kenney Street eight 10/100 feet northwesterly from the intersection of said northwesterly side of Kenney Street with the northeasterly side of Greenville Street, prolonged, at the corner of land now or formerly of Lydia B. Hutchins, thence the boundary line runs southeasterly on Kenney street, three hundred and eighty 16/100 feet to land now or formerly of Charles H. North; thence southwesterly on said land now or formerly of Charles H. North, one hundred and thirty-nine 32/100 feet to land now or formerly of Mary E. Clark; thence northwesterly in a broken line on certain parcels of land now or formerly respectively in the order named of Mary E. Clark, Francis A. Brown and Charles Ford, Herbert E. Gustin, Julia L. Gustin, Artemas B. Richardson, William E. Richardson, Artemas B. Richardson, four hundred feet to land now or formerly of Lydia B. Hutchins; thence northeasterly on said land now or formerly of Lydia B. Hutchins, one hundred and sixty-three 4/100 feet to the point of beginning; containing about one 32/100 acres of land.

That statement is hereby made of the purpose for which the same is and was taken, to wit; for the purpose hereinbefore set forth.

It is further ordered that the city clerk be, and he is hereby directed in behalf of said City of Somerville to file and cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the southern district of said County of Middlesex, as a description of said land sufficiently accurate for identification and as a statement of the purpose for which the said land was taken, the plan hereinbefore referred to, and a copy, certified by him as such, of this order and instrument, such statement also to be signed by the mayor of said City of Somerville.

It is estimated and determined that all damage sustained by any person or corporation by the aforesaid taking of said land amount in the aggregate to the sum of twenty thousand dollars, being sustained by the Trustees of Tufts College, a corporation duly established by law, as holder of a mortgage on a certain portion of said parcel of land, in the sum of two thousand two hundred dollars; by the North End Savings Bank, a corporation duly established by law, as holder of a mortgage on a certain

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portion of said parcel of land, in the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars; the balance, fourteen thousand three hundred dollars, by Henry A. Thompson of Lowell in said Commonwealth, two-thirds individually and one-third as trustee for Marilla J. Butler under the will of William H. Thompson late of Salem in said Commonwealth, deceased, expressed owners or by whomsoever may be the owners (four words first interlined)

Read twice and adopted by unanimous yea and nay vote, Alderman Lamont absent or not voting. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 9. Read twice and adopted by unanimous yea and nay vote in concurrence. Absent or not voting, Councilmen Osborne, Grimmons, Thomas, Burrows, Story, Crocker and Lord.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 10, 1895.

On motion of Alderman Lapham, it was voted that when the board adjourns, it adjourn until Wednesday next the 16th inst. at 8 o'clock, P.M.

Adjourned,

Attest:

George S. Vincent

Clerk.

Adjourned meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville, Nov. 16th, 1895. - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Pall present.

Records approved.

Received the following veto message from His Honor, the Mayor. — Veto Message ✓

City of Somerville, Mass.
Mayor's Office
November 16th, 1895.

To The Board of Aldermen of Somerville,
Gentlemen:-

I return herewith, disapproved, the order which originated in your Honorable Board on the ninth day of the present month, said order giving authority to the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights to locate eleven Welsbach lights in different parts of the city.

Without stopping to consider the propriety of passing such an order near the close of the year, and thus compelling the next City Council to increase the appropriation for street lighting, whether the financial condition of the city shall or shall not warrant the increase, I will merely call your attention to what seems to me the strongest objection to the enactment of the order at this time. Before stating the objection, however, permit me to refer to a few facts bearing upon the present status of street lighting in this city.

At the beginning of the present municipal year, I submitted a communication to the City Council, recommending that a trial be made of the Welsbach system of street lighting. I was led to do this by the favorable reports of the system coming from places where it had been introduced, and by the refusal of the Somerville Electric Light Company to furnish all the incandescent lights which might be called for by the City Council, irrespective of the number of arc lights. The corporation alleged, as a reason for such refusal, that the incandescent lights were not a source of profit, hence it was only fair to require that a certain numerical ratio should be maintained between arc and incandescent lights. Acting upon the suggestion contained in my communication, an arrangement was

made with the Welsbach company by which a few trial lights were installed. These lights proved so satisfactory that a contract with the Welsbach company was subsequently authorized, the terms of which need not be here detailed as they are familiar to every member of the City Council.

On the twentieth day of June, as I have lately learned, and before the contract with the Welsbach company was authorized, the Somerville Electric Light Company sent a communication to the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, offering to furnish a 32-candle power incandescent light at the same price as the Welsbach lights, namely, thirty dollars a year. It is claimed by the Somerville company that this 32-candle power light is superior to the Welsbach light.

The Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, on the seventh day of September, replied to the letter of the Somerville Electric Light Company, consenting that a certain number of the 32-candle power lights should be set up for an experimental test. On the twenty-second day of September the corporation gave notice to the committee that ten of the lights had been placed in different parts of the city, and asked that the committee's inspection might take place as soon as possible. The corporation claims that, down to the present time, no information has been received from the committee as to whether an inspection has been made.

The experimental lights set up by the Somerville company are burning each night, and can easily be seen by members of the City Council. I believe it is due, alike to the company and to the city, that a thorough test of these lights be made, and, if they are found to be superior to the Welsbach lights, that the preference should be given to them in locating new lamps. While I have no hesitation in saying that I consider the Welsbach light superior to the 25-candle power incandescent heretofore furnished by the Somerville company, I am desirous of giving the local corporation every reasonable opportunity to substitute an improved light.

If you will question that it is the duty of the City Council to light the public streets in the best manner possible with the limited appropriation made for the purpose. If better results can be obtained from the Welsbach system than from the 32-candle power electric lights, let us continue to install the Welsbach lights; but until the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights imparts some definite information on this point, I do not feel justified in approving the order now under consideration.

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Should it be found, upon the application of careful tests, that the Somerville Electric Light Company is able and willing to furnish a light equal or superior to the Welsbach, and at the same price, then, as I believe, the city's patronage should be given to the home company rather than to a foreign corporation. The electric lighting company is a Somerville institution, carrying on business in our midst, paying a large tax into the city treasury, and giving employment to a large number of our people. Local pride and self-interest, as well as a sense of justice, should lead us to deal with the Somerville corporation if it offers as favorable terms as can be obtained elsewhere.

Afraid, I have no information which enables me to express a well-grounded opinion upon the comparative merits of the Welsbach light and the new incandescent light offered by the Somerville company. I merely suggest that the question of the superiority of the new system over the other should be decided before the adoption of an order locating a large number of new lights. If your honorable board should agree with me in this, I would recommend that the Superintendent of Electric Lines and Lights be instructed to make thorough tests of the two systems of lighting herein referred to, and to submit the results of his investigations to the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Albion A. Perry,

Mayor.

Action postponed until next meeting.

On the order passed November 9, for the lighting of eleven Welsbach street lights in several of the streets of the city as specified in the order, which order was returned with the foregoing veto message, action was postponed until the next meeting. — Order ✓

His Honor, the Mayor, presented a written invitation extended to him by the City Clerk of Everett, to be present at a meeting to be held by Committees of the City Governments of Everett and Chelsea, in the Chelsea City Hall, Friday, November 25, 1898, at 8 o'clock, P.M. to consider what action it is advisable to adopt to properly bring before the Metropolitan Park Commissioners the importance of immediate action in the matter of the proposed State boulevard through Everett and Chelsea. — Invitation ✓

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Read, and sent down for information.
In Common Council, Nov. 25. Read for information.

√ Reports — Received the reports of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for the months of September & October.
Read, and sent down for information.
In Common Council, Nov. 25. Read for information.

√ Notice — Received notice from the Metropolitan Park Commission that their engineer informs them that the work they have been doing on Middlesex avenue in Somerville, is completed, that the barriers have been removed, and that the public is again using the avenue.
Referred to Committee on Highways, and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Nov. 25. Reference concurred in.

√ Bond — Received a constable's bond in the sum of three thousand dollars, and on the form that has been approved by the City Solicitor, from Owen L. Grey, as principal, with William T. Dunn of Boston and John J. Grey of Somerville, as sureties, said bond having a duly cancelled 50 cent U. S. Revenue stamp affixed.
Accepted, and approved.

√ Petition — Received a petition, signed by the mother of the proposed licensee, that a licence to sell newspapers be granted to Thomas Grey, aged 10 years, approved by the Chief of Police.
Licence granted.

√ Petition — Received a petition from the Tufts College Foot-ball Association, for a licence for an exhibition foot-ball game on the Tufts Oval, Saturday, November 12, recommended by the Chief of Police, approved by the Mayor and licence issued by the City Clerk.
Issuing of licence approved.

√ Petition — Received a petition from Carrie A. Sprague for a licence as a common victualler, at 70 Broadway.
Referred to Committee on Licences.

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Received a petition from J. Frank Gellington for permission to build and maintain projections over sidewalks as follows:- at No. 65 Union square, the coving of a one-story building (office) about 11 feet long, and of the roof over a driveway, about 9 feet long, to project over the sidewalk 15 inches and the coving of a two-story block of stores, about 50 feet long, to project over the sidewalk 18 inches; said buildings are to be of wood. — Petition ✓ and

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

Accompanying the foregoing petition was the following order of notice. — Order of Notice ✓

Upon the foregoing petition, it is hereby Ordered that notice be given by the petitioner to all parties interested, that this Board will on Wednesday, the 23rd day of November, 1898, at 8 o'clock, P.M., at its room in the City Hall, take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the above petition, at which time any parties, who object thereto, may appear and be heard. Said notice is to be given by publication of a copy of said petition and this order thereon in the Somerville Journal of the 18th inst.

Adopted.

Received petitions from,- — Petitions ✓

Frederick Thomas Alexander, for the moving of an electric light pole now standing in front of his residence, #227 Highland avenue, to a point 17 feet westerly from its present location;

H. C. Holt and Catherine W. McGuire, that edgestones be set on both sides of Cook street, from Marion street to South Hyatt street;

John Higgins and others, for a brick sidewalk on the westerly side of Prescott street;

Referred to Committee on Highways.

Received petitions from,- — Petitions ✓

A. Carthy Brothers, for a light at their charcoal yard #41 Linwood street;

P. Pinney and others, for Welsbach lamps at the corner of Tower and Crown streets, near the rear entrance to the Somerville Hospital on Tower street;

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. References concurred in.

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√ Notices

Received notices of injuries from,—

Mary A. Hurley, by being thrown to the ground in consequence of striking her foot against a pile of material, on the sidewalk on the southerly side of Pow street, said material consisting of iron used in construction of a street railway, on the evening of November 11, 1898. (Received by the City Clerk, November 15th.)

Harrison H. Macomber, by his attorney G. H. Cox, injuries received and damages sustained in consequence of his horse falling into a ditch or hole without sufficient guards or lights, in front of 785 Broadway, between the hours of 6 and 11 P.M. November 6th current, the horse being thereby killed, the harness and carriage injured, and said Macomber thrown from his carriage and injured. (Received by the City Clerk, Nov 14.)

Referred to Committee on Claims, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov 25. References concurred in.

√ Report
Result of State Election

The Committee on Elections presented the following report,—

City of Somerville.

In Committee on Elections and Returns.

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To the Board of Aldermen of Somerville,—

The Committee on Elections and Returns, having examined the returns of votes cast in the several voting precincts of the city at the election held therein November 8th inst, together with the certificate of the registrars of voters of the recount of votes cast for Representatives in the General Court in each of the several voting precincts of wards nos two and four, at said election, and having compared said returns and certificate with the city clerk's record thereof on pages 186 to 195 inclusive, of volume 1 of the Record of Elections of the City of Somerville, reports that the said returns and certificate are in due form and the said record agrees therewith, that the said returns and the said record thereof have been altered and amended by the city clerk, without erasure, in accordance with said certificate of recount, and that the result of said election is as shown by said record.

Silas L. Cummings,
Frederick A. Kilmer,
James F. Davlin
} Committee on Elections and Returns.

Accepted.

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Alderman Cummings offered the following order:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the result of the election held in this city, November 8, 1898, be, and it hereby is, declared to be as shown on pages 186 to 195, inclusive, of volume 1, of the Record of Elections of the city of Somerville, and as stated in the report of the committee on elections and returns made this day.

Adopted.

Alderman Lamont offered an order for the construction of a sewer or drain for surface and ground water in land of the estate of Levi Russell, from Alewife Brook, southeasterly, together with an order to make a contract for the construction of said sewer, as recorded on page 656 of Volume 1 of the Records of the Taking of Land For and Orders to Construct Sewers, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville. Order ✓

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 17th.

Alderman Cummings offered the following order:- Order ✓

Whereas, in the opinion of this Board, the public convenience and necessity require the removal of the tree hereinafter mentioned, to wit:- one rock maple tree standing in front of the house numbered 249 Elm street, it is hereby Ordered, that public notice be given by the City Clerk, by causing an attested copy of this order to be published in one issue of the Somerville Journal, a newspaper published in said city, and by causing a similar copy to be posted upon the tree before mentioned, that this Board intends to remove the said tree, and that Wednesday, the 23rd day of November, 1898, at eight o'clock P.M., and the Mayor and Aldermen's room in the City Hall, are assigned as the time and place for the hearing, by this Board, of any objection which may be made thereto.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 17, 1898.

The Committee on Highways, reported that in pursuance of an order dated September 28th, brick sidewalks have been constructed on the southwesterly side of Highland avenue, from Walnut street to Trull Lane, ex- Report ✓

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cept where sidewalks were already constructed, and except in front of the estate of Elizabeth C. Blackbird, and submitted a list of assessments for one half the cost.

Accepted.

√ Assessments — The list of assessments submitted with the foregoing report, with a warrant and order for their collection, for sidewalks in Highland avenue, southwesterly side from Walnut street to Trull Lane, is recorded on pages 357 to 360, inclusive, of volume 3 of the Record of Sidewalk Assessments, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Adopted.

√ Order — Alderman Lapham offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and it hereby is, authorized to build a fence along the northeasterly line of Sherman Court at the southwesterly side of the estate of Cyrus K. Stone, at an expense not exceeding seventy-five dollars ($75.00); the expense so incurred to be charged to Highways account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 28, 1898.

√ Report — The Committee on Public Property, on an order dated July 13th, to consider the advisability of re-grading and re-sodding the portion of the ground in front of the Police Building, and of constructing a concrete driveway to the stable in rear of said building, reported an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order — The order submitted with the foregoing report is as follows,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Property be, and it hereby is, authorized to re-grade and re-sod such portion of the grounds in front

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of the Police Building, as is now in an unsightly condition, and to construct a concrete driveway, at the side of said building, leading to the stable, at a total expense of not exceeding four hundred and fifty dollars; the amount so expended to be charged to Police Station Incidentals account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov 25, 1898.

Alderman Cummings offered an order instructing the Committee on Public Grounds to keep the City's land on Elm street, known as the Old Lincoln School lot, flooded for skating. — Order ✓

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. Reference concurred in.

Alderman Darlin offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the Committee on Public Grounds be, and hereby is, authorized to represent the City Council at all hearings and meetings which may be held to consider the question of a boulevard to extend through Everett and Chelsea to the Revere Beach reservation.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 25, 1898.

Alderman Cummings offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is, directed to transfer the sum of five hundred twenty-one and 8/100 dollars, ($521.08) from Armory account to Schoolhouse, Spring Hill District account.

Adopted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov 25. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 25, 1898.

Alderman Lamont offered the following order, — Order ✓

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Ordered -

That the Committee on Ordinance be, and hereby is, requested to consider the expediency of submitting a draft of an ordinance that shall establish a uniform rule with reference to projections of buildings, or fronts of buildings, over public streets and squares of the city.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25 Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 28, 1898.

Adjourned.

Attest.

George A. Vincent.

Clerk.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Louisville, November 20, 1895. 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Percy, presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Parker, Darlin, Lamont, Kloner and Cummings present.

Records approved.

In pursuance of an order passed November 9th, a hearing was given on the petition of Walter H. Gleason, for permission to build and maintain projections over sidewalks, as follows:— On southwesterly side of Pearl street, next to block on southwest corner of Pearl and Walnut streets, a bay window in second and third stories, extreme width where it joins the building, 10 feet, to project over the sidewalk 2 feet, 6 inches, and the covering of the building, for a length of about 36 feet, to project over the sidewalk 18 inches, notice of the hearing having been published by the petitioner as required by said order. Hearing ✓

Mr. Gleason, the petitioner, appeared and said he owned all of the land on the southwest side of Pearl street between Walnut street and Jasper street, a distance of about 250 feet. He now has on this land at the corner of Walnut street, a block, with projections over the sidewalk of Pearl street similar to those which he desires to construct on the building now being erected. Also that Mr. Morrison owns a block on the opposite corner of Walnut street, having similar projections over the sidewalk.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

In pursuance of an order passed November 16th, a hearing was given on the petition of J. Frank Kellington for permission to build and maintain projections over sidewalks, as follows:— at No. 65 Main square, the covering of a one-story building (office) about 11 feet long and of the roof over a driveway about 19 feet long, to project over the sidewalk 15 inches, and the covering of a two-story block of stores about 50 feet long, to project over the sidewalk 15 inches; the said building to be of wood; notice of the hearing having been published by the petitioner as required by said order. Hearing ✓

Mr. Kellington, the petitioner, appeared and stated that

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the buildings he proposed to erect were for business purposes, and all of the neighboring property was used for a similar purpose. The sidewalk in front of the building was some 10 feet in width and the square itself perhaps about 200 feet in width, that he wished to have his buildings make a good appearance and did not feel like setting them back from the street a foot or more in order that the coving might be over his land. He also presented a letter from the inspector of buildings of Cambridge to the effect that in street city permits are generally granted for the projections of covings over sidewalks.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

√ Hearing. In pursuance of an order approved November 17th, a hearing was given for all persons desiring to object to the removal of a rock maple tree standing in front of the house #249 Elm street; due notice of the hearing having been given by the City Clerk as directed by said order.

No persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

√ Hearing. In pursuance of an order approved November 10th, a hearing was given for all persons interested in the petition of the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company for permission to lay its pipes in Washington and Prospect streets, from its pipe line in Cambridge street, Charlestown, to the line of the City of Cambridge; the City Clerk having caused notice to be published in the Somerville Journal and to be left at the office of said Company in Boston, all as directed by said order.

Mr. F. Inder, Jr., the treasurer of the company, appeared and said in effect, that owing to the action of the Cambridge city government, it was now desired to extend the pipes of the company through Brighton and Springfield streets, as well as in Washington and Prospect streets, and he would prefer to have the whole matter heard under one petition, which might be presented in place of the petition now pending, the present petition to be withdrawn.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard, the hearing was closed.

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Received a petition from the Medford Foot Ball Association for a license for an exhibition foot-ball game on the Tufts Oval, Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 28, recommended by the Chief of Police, approved by the Mayor, and license issued by the City Clerk. — Petition ✓

Opening of license approved.

Received a petition from the Medford High School Alumni for a license for an exhibition foot-ball game on the Tufts Oval, Thursday morning, November 28th, recommended by the Chief of Police. — Petition ✓

License granted.

Received the following report from the Superintendent of Electric Lights:- — Report ✓

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City Hall, Nov. 28, 1895.

To his Honor, the Mayor and the Honorable Board of Aldermen:-

I have been requested by his Honor the Mayor to make a test of the Welsbach and 32 candle power incandescent lamps to ascertain which was best adapted to street lighting. Now the test of these lights is not which gives us the greatest candle power but which gives us the best lighted streets. We know the Welsbach claims a light of 64 or more candle power and the incandescent of 32, so that a photometric test for candle power would result largely in favor of the Welsbach.

This is not the test which would demonstrate the relative advantage of one light over another for street service. It is a well known scientific fact that what is known as the red ray in light has a much greater penetrating quality than any other ray. The incandescent is very rich in this while the Welsbach has a small percentage of the same, and although the Welsbach gives apparently a very bright light, its penetrating qualities are comparatively poor. One test which I have applied and a very simple one, which any of you can try, is to take an ordinary sheet of white paper with a line drawn across it in ink and cover the same with 3 or 4 sheets of thin brown paper and try the distance away from a Welsbach light this line can be distinguished when looking through a tube and then apply the same test to a 32 lamp.

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The result of this test shows four incandescent lamps - 57-45-60-63 making an average of 56 1/4 feet for each light. Four Welsbach, two of these were burning Cambridge gas and showed 51 and 42 and two Charlestown gas 42 and 37, making an average of 43 ft. Another test tried was to stand equidistant from each kind of light and hold a pencil upright on a level surface; if both lights were equal the two shadows would be of equal density. In the actual test the shadows appeared the same at a point three feet nearer the Welsbach than the incandescent, and from the tests shown the 32 candle incandescent has greater penetrating quality and, in my opinion, is best adapted for lighting our streets.

Edward Parkus,

Supt. of Lights.

Placed on file.

√ Petition. Received a petition from George E. Richer for a license to keep 2 billiard tables and 1 pool table in the basement of the Hotel Goodbridge on Elm street.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

√ Petition. Received a petition from Dennis A. Dailey and others for a catch-basin at the corner of Hammond and Dickinson streets.

Referred to Committee on Sewers.

√ Petition. Received a petition from the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company for permission to withdraw the petition of October 25th for locations for its pipes in Washington and Prospect streets.

Permission granted.

√ Petition. Received a petition from the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company for permission to lay its pipes in Washington and Prospect streets from the Boston Line to the Cambridge Line and in Houghton and Springfield streets from the Cambridge Line at Prospect street to the Cambridge Line at Springfield street, the terminal and streets being more particularly shown on plan by Louis J. Hirt, dated September 15, 1898, and it being understood that the size of the pipe shall not exceed the figures marked on said plan.

Referred to Committee on Highways.

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Received a petition from the Somerville Electric Light Company for permission to erect and maintain 3 poles on Chester street between Orchard street and Chester Place. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Highways.

Received a petition from Dr. A. G. Forbush, for a driveway in front of his estate on the easterly side of Benton avenue at the corner of Highland avenue, at his expense. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from Ladder Company No. 1, of the Fire Department, that new Aluminum fire-hats may be purchased for the members of the company for use at fires, the hats now in use being unsafe as they afford no protection to the wearers. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Fire Department and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from Mrs. Honora Terry and others, for a light in the vicinity of #37 Lowell street, there being but one light between Somerville avenue and Summer street. — Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from Lawrence McGrath, for permission to move a wooden building, 14 feet in length, 12 feet in breadth and 18 feet in extreme height, from land now or formerly of Dowd on the south-westerly side of Elm street, corner of Moreland street, across Elm street and through Cedar and Summer streets and Linden avenue, to land of said McGrath on the westerly side of Linden avenue, in rear of #38; certified by the Superintendent of Streets, and the Superintendent of Electric Lines that the statement as to construction and measurement is substantially correct and in their opinion the proposed removal can be made without injury to public or private property. — Petition ✓

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Placed on file

√ Order

Alderman Lapham offered an order granting permission to Lawrence McGrath to move a wooden building through Cedar and Summer streets and Linden avenue, as recorded on page 525 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways and Moving Buildings, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Adopted

√ Order

On an order passed Nov. 9th and returned by his Honor the Mayor with his written objection thereto, Nov. 16th, authorizing the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights to locate eleven Welsbach street lights as specified in said order, action on its receipt Nov. 16th having been postponed until the next meeting, it was voted that the order be laid upon the table.

√ Order

City Clerk give notice of City Election

Alderman Cummings offered the following order:-

Ordered:-

That the city clerk be, and he is hereby directed to cause notice to be given, as prescribed in section 269 of chapter 545 of the Acts of the year Eighteen Hundred and Ninety-eight, that the qualified voters of this city will meet in the several polling places which have been designated, by said board, for or within the voting precincts in which they respectively are qualified to vote, said polling places being located as follows, namely, for

Ward One

Precinct 1.- The Ward-room in the Prescott Schoolhouse on Pearl Street.
Precinct 2.- A room in the Sanford Hanscom Schoolhouse on Webster Street.
Precinct 3.- A room in the Davis Schoolhouse on Tufts Street.
Precinct 4.- A room in the Jackson Schoolhouse on Maple Street, at the corner of Poplar Street

Ward Two

Precinct 1.- A room in the Luther & Bell Schoolhouse on Vinal Avenue.
Precinct 2.- The Hall in the Police Building on Bow Street.
Precinct 3.- Eberle Lower Hall in Union Square.
Precinct 4.- A room in the O. S. Knapp Schoolhouse on Concord Avenue.
Precinct 5.- A room in the Prospect Hill Schoolhouse on Washington Street, at the corner of Bonner Avenue; there being no convenient polling

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place which can be obtained within the territorial limits of said precinct.

Ward Three.

Precinct 1. - A room in the Edgerly Schoolhouse on Broadway Street,
Precinct 2. - A room in the Jacob Tufts Schoolhouse on Jaques Street,
Precinct 3. - A room in the Foster Schoolhouse on Squantum Street,
Precinct 4. - A room in the Bingham Schoolhouse on Powell Street,

Ward Four.

Precinct 1. - A room in the Martin L. Grew Schoolhouse on Beach Street,
Precinct 2. - A room in the Burns Schoolhouse on Cherry Street,
Precinct 3. - A room in the Highland Schoolhouse on Highland Avenue at the corner of Broadway Street,
Precinct 4. - A room in the Lillian M. Hodgkins Schoolhouse on Holland Street,

on Tuesday, the eighth day of December, 1895, at six o'clock in the forenoon, where the polls shall open, and there and then, between that hour and the closing of the polls, which shall be at four o'clock and twelve minutes in the afternoon, will give in their ballots for

a Mayor and eight Aldermen - two Aldermen being elected from each Ward.

And the qualified voters of each of the four Wards of the City will also there and then give in their ballots for four Common Councilmen, who shall at the time of their election be residents of the wards, respectively, in which they are elected, and for

a member of the School Committee for three years, who shall be a resident of the ward in which he is elected.

All the foregoing are to be voted for on one ballot, provided that women who are qualified to vote for members of the School Committee will give in their votes on a separate ballot.

And the said qualified voters of the city will also there and then give in their votes, "Yes," or "No," on the same ballot, upon the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this city?"

The publications required by the law above referred to is to be made once in the Somerville Journal and once in the Somerville Citizen, newspapers published in this city.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 28, 1895.

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Order

Alderman Lamont offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That permission be and hereby is granted to Walter H. Kleary to maintain projections over sidewalks as follows:-
On the southwesterly side of Pearl street on lot next to block on southeast corner of Pearl street and Walnut street, a bay window in second and third stories, extreme width thirteen feet where it joins the building, to project over the sidewalk two feet six inches; also the coving of the building, for a distance of about thirty-six feet, to project over the sidewalk eighteen inches.

Adopted

Order

Alderman Lamont offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to J. Frank Hellington, to build and maintain projections over sidewalks as follows:-
At No. 65 Union Square, the coving of a one-story building (office) about eleven feet long, and of the roof over a driveway about nine feet long, to project over the sidewalk fifteen inches, and the coving of a two story block of stores, about fifty feet long, to project over the sidewalks eighteen inches, the said building to be of wood.

Adopted

Order

Alderman Darlin, offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to Charles Gallahan to build and maintain projections over sidewalks as follows:- At Nos. 124 to 128 A Grove street, the corings over two bay windows in the second and third stories, each of said corings to be about seven feet long and to project over the sidewalk eighteen inches.

Adopted

Report

The Committee on Sewers, in pursuance of orders dated, respectively, May 11, June 5, June 22nd July 13, reported that common sewers have been constructed as follows:-

in Broadway, from the Metropolitan sewer near Mewis Brook to a point about 70 feet southerly from Dexter avenue, by contract with

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Charles A. Morgan, 1607.5 feet of 10" and 12" pipe sewer, 259 feet of 8" pipe sewer, 797 feet of 8" and 10" and 1098 feet of 6" underdrain, 347 cu. yds. rock excavation, and 11 manholes, at a cost of $3933.53;

in Endicott avenue, from Broadway southwesterly about 410 feet, by contract with William F. Cunningham, 402 feet of 8" pipe sewer, 401 feet of 6" underdrain, 93.05 cu. yds. rock excavation, and 4 manholes, at a cost of $550.02;

in Fresquit avenue, from the proposed street through land owned by the City of Cambridge northeasterly to Broadway, by contract with William F. Cunningham, 954.5 feet of 8" pipe sewer, 954.5 feet of 6" underdrain, and 2 manholes, at a cost of $749.56;

in Garrison avenue, from the proposed street through land owned by the City of Cambridge northeasterly to near Broadway, by contract with William F. Cunningham, 538.9 feet of 8" pipe sewer, 529.2 feet of 6" underdrain, and 3 manholes, at a cost of $650.20;

in Liberty avenue, from the manhole at Francesca avenue to Porter Square Terrace, by contract with Daniel A. Dorey, 280 feet 12" and 374.5 feet of 10" pipe sewer, 308.6 cu. yds. rock excavation, and 3 manholes, at a cost of $1040.59;

in Victoria street, from Woodstock street northeasterly to near Broadway, by contract with William F. Cunningham, 545.4 feet of 8" pipe sewer, 547 feet of 6" underdrain, and 2 manholes, at a cost of $644.83;

in Waterhouse street, from Woodstock street northeasterly to near Broadway, by contract with William F. Cunningham, 789.2 feet of 8" pipe sewer, 791.5 feet of 6" underdrain, and 2 manholes, at a cost of $603.83;

in Winter Road, from the sewer in Willow avenue southeasterly to near Gardenia Road, by contract with William F. Cunningham, 298 feet of 10", and 257.5 feet of 8" pipe sewer, and 2 manholes, at a cost of $384.38;

and in Woodstock street, Private Lands and proposed street, from the Metropolitan sewer near Alewife Brook to Fresquit avenue, by contract with William F. Cunningham, 758 feet of 12" pipe sewer, 875.65 feet of 8" and 12" underdrain, and 6 manholes, at a cost of $1306.93;

and submitted lists of assessments upon estates benefited.

Accepted.

The lists of assessments accompanying the foregoing report, with

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warrants and orders for their collection, for the construction of common sewers in

Broadway,
Endicott Avenue
Farragut Avenue
Garrison Avenue
Liberty Avenue
Victoria Street
Waterhouse Street
Winden Road

and

Woodstock Street, Private Lands and a Proposed Street

are recorded, respectively, on pages 297 to 300, 301 to 304, 305 to 308, 309 to 312, 313 to 316, 317 to 320, 321 to 324, 325 to 328 and 329 to 332, inclusive, of volume 2 of the Records of Sewer Assessments, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Adopted.

√ Order

Alderman Lapham offered the following order,—

Whereas, in the opinion of this board, the public convenience and necessity require the removal of the tree hereinafter mentioned, public notice having been given and hearing thereon having been had, according to law, it is therefore hereby

Ordered, that the superintendent of streets be, and he hereby is, directed to cut down and remove the said tree, to wit,—

one rock maple tree standing in front of the house "249 Elm street"

Read twice and adopted.

Presented to the Mayor, Nov. 28, 1898.

√ Report

The Committee on Highways, on petitions of the Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to remove a pole from the north corner of Tufts and Glen streets and to erect another on the easterly corner of said Tufts and Glen streets, and for permission to remove a pole from the southeast corner of Hanson and Skehan streets and to erect another on the southwest corner of said Hanson and Skehan streets, reported an order.

Accepted.

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The order submitted with the foregoing report, granting locations to the Somerville Electric Light Company, for poles at the easterly corner of Tufts and Glen streets and the southwesterly corner of Kanson and Skehan streets, the present poles at the intersections of said streets to be removed, is recorded on pages 141 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways and Moving Buildings, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Adopted.

Order ✓
Agreement filed Dec. 27, 1898.

The Committee on Highways, on the petition of Frederick Thomas Alexander for the removal of the electric light pole in front of no. 327 Highland avenue, reported leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

Report ✓

The Committee on Highways reported that in pursuance of orders dated, respectively, July 13 and November 9, sidewalks have been constructed as follows:—

On Boston street, southwesterly side, from Prospect Hill avenue to Washington street, brick and

On Joy street, southwesterly side, from Washington street to Poplar street, gravel with edgestones,

and submitted lists of assessments for one half the cost.

Accepted.

Report ✓

The lists of assessments submitted with the foregoing report, with warrants and orders for their collection, for sidewalks in

Boston street,

and

Joy street,

are recorded, respectively, on pages 361 to 364 and 365 to 368, inclusive, of volume 3 of the Records of Sidewalk Assessments, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Adopted.

Assessments ✓

The Committee on Highways, on orders dated, respectively, July 13 and September 14, authorizing the construction of a brick sidewalk in front of the estate of H. A. Emerson on the southwesterly side of Abbotson

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street, when said Emerson should have furnished the bricks, and a gravel sidewalk with edgestones in front of the premises of Aaron H. Gould, Nos. 104, 106, 108, 110 and 112 Belmont street, when he should have deposited with the City Treasurer a sum sufficient to meet the estimated cost of the edgestones, reported that the sidewalks have not been constructed as the bricks have not been furnished, nor the deposit made as required.

Accepted.

✓ Reports

The Committee on Highways, on petitions for sidewalks from,-

L. H. Snow and others, easterly side of Benton avenue, granolithic;

C. H. Bradshaw, attorney and others, Benton Road, granolithic or gravel with edgestones;

Walter A. Sawyer and others, lots 9 and 13 Browning Road, brick;

Elmer E. Archibald and others, Elm street from Davenport to Saginaw avenue, brick with edgestones;

Daniel J. Donnelly and others, easterly side of White street, brick with edgestones;

William H. Johnston and others, northwest side of Crescent street, gravel with edgestones;

Water Commissioners, Lowell street, in front of stand pipe lot, brick with edgestones;

Frederick H. Gross and others, northwest side of Lowell street from Albion to Crown, gravel with edgestones;

Gahana Cahill and others, easterly side of Trull street from Lemon to Medford, gravel with edgestones;

and on petitions for the removal of trees from,-

Elizabeth Galletly, a tree in front of #75 Washington street;

Martha D. Frost, a tree at #551 to #553 Somerville avenue, and

Mary E. and William F. Hurter, a chestnut tree on westerly side of Elm street, about 15 feet north of Davenport street,

reported leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

✓ Reports

The Committee on Highways,-

on the petition of John McCarroll and others, for the repairing of the sidewalks on both sides of Bonair street, reported that the repairs have been made as prayed for;

on the petition of Warren Pollard, for the relaying of the brick sidewalks on

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the westerly side of Central street between Amey and Gum streets, reported that the portion of sidewalk mentioned has been repaired;

on the petition of Charles D Jaline and others, for a change in the grade of Jenny Lind avenue between Broadway and Medford street, reported no action necessary as the grade had been changed by an order of the City Council;

on an order dated May 16, to furnish ice for the drinking fountains in Union and Davis squares, from May to September, inclusive, the expense to be charged to Miscellaneous account, reported that ice has been so furnished at a cost of $77.55;

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. Accepted in concurrence.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order:- — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be, and it hereby is, requested to consider what action is necessary to determine the line and grade of Broadway, on its southwesterly side, between Medford street and the stone bound marking the angle in said line, at the division line between land now or formerly of Magoun and land now or formerly of Patridge, about fifty feet southeasterly from Jenny Lind avenue, - and to report thereon to the city council at an early date.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 25, 1895.

The Committee on Finance, on the petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company and others, for immediate action to provide suitable quarters for the local militia company, recommended reference to the next city council. — Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. Accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Finance, - — Reports ✓

on the petition of the Water Commissioner for an additional appropriation

of five thousand dollars from Water Income to be applied to Water Maintenance account, reported that in the judgment of the Committee no action is necessary, as the Commissioners have been provided with the requisite funds under an order of the City Council;

on the order dated April 27th, to consider the advisability of making an appropriation from Funded Debt account of ten thousand dollars for a partial cut-grading of the proposed Ogden Lowe boulevard, reported inexpedient, as it is not possible to acquire any lands for the proposed boulevard for the present year.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order

Alderman Lamont offered the following order, —

Ordered, —

That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is, directed to transfer from Interest account to Sewer, Maintenance account the sum of three hundred dollars.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 25, 1895.

√ Orders

Alderman Kilner offered the following orders, —

Ordered: —

That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is, directed to transfer from Interest account to Public Grounds account the sum of four hundred dollars.

Ordered: —

That the City Treasurer be, and hereby is, instructed to transfer from Armory account to Crescent Hill Park account the sum of three hundred fifty-six and 21/100 dollars, said sum being the amount of the taxes for the year 1895, on land recently purchased by the City from the Devisees under will of Wm. H. Thompson.

Ordered: —

That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is, authorized and

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instructed to transfer from Water Maintenance account the sum of three thousand dollars and place the same to the credit of Water Works Extension account.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Nov. 28. Adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 28, 1898.

Adjourned.

Attest,
George S. Vincent
Clerk.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Somerville, December 14, 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry, presiding.
Aldermen Loopham, Tarbox, Daolin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.
Records approved

√ Appointment

On petition of D. H. Sanborn, General Superintendent of the Boston and Maine Railroad, approved by the Chief of Police, His Honor, the Mayor appointed, subject to confirmation by the Board, Henry Mattock, an employee of said railroad, as a special police without compensation.
Rules suspended and appointment confirmed

√ Recommendation

Received a recommendation from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department that Henry C. Page, a member of Hose Company No. 5, be discharged from the department at his own request.
Discharge, as recommended, made by the Mayor and confirmed by the board of aldermen.

√ Order

Received the following order from the Common Council, -
Ordered: -
That the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights be requested to consider and report on the feasibility and expediency of placing on the new Welsbach lights the number of the nearest house.
(signed) Chas. A. Grimmons
In Common Council, Nov. 25. Adopted and sent up for concurrence.
In Board of Aldermen, Dec. 14. Adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 15, 1898

√ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order, -
Ordered: -
That the Committee on Ordinances be, and it hereby is, requested to consider the advisability of amending section 13 of Chapter 4 of the Revised Ordinances of 1891, so as to provide that no proposals shall be considered that are received after the limit of time specified in the solicitation for pro-

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fronts, and to consider what further amendment, if any, it is desirable to make in said section of ordinance

(signed) David D. Lord.

In Common Council, Nov. 25. Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, Dec. 14. Adopted in concurrence.
Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 15, 1895.

Received the report of the Chief of Police for the month of November. Placed on file. — Report ✓

Received from the City Solicitor a report on the order dated October 26th, directing him to ascertain what rights the City may have in the matter of the removal of the fence at the Thorndike street crossing of the Boston and Maine Railroad, as follows:—

Thorndike Street, it is claimed, is a private way running across the railroad location. Under the provisions of P.S. c. 112, sect. 166 (see also Sts 1888, c. 240), the Mayor and Aldermen have the right to bring proceedings for the purpose of obliging the railroad company to guard its crossing at Thorndike Street (if that is a travelled private way) by means of a flagman, or otherwise, but I think the city has no rights in regard to the removal of the fence across the street, it being no more than a private way. — Report ✓

Read and sent down for information.
In Common Council, Dec. 14. Read for information.

Received from the Common Council, a request from the city auditor that all boards and committees, having the expenditure of moneys, forward their pay-rolls not later than the 24th inst. — Request ✓

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Read and sent up for information.
In Board of Aldermen, Dec. 14. Read for information.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order:— — Order ✓

Ordered:—

That a message be sent to the common council, requesting a convention of the two branches of the city council in the Common Council Chamber this evening for the purpose of giving hearings, for all persons desiring

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to object, in the following matters, namely, -

Laying out of Oxford street

Laying out of Kingston street, (extension)

Laying out of Wesley street,

orders of notice of such hearings having been approved November 10, 1898.

Adopted, and Alderman Lapham appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Request granted, and Councilman Thomson appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.

Convention

In Convention of the City Council

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Darlow, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball, President Wilson and Councilmen Kenney, Smith, Cushman, Thomson, Burns, Burrows, Gracey, Story, Crocker, Perry, Lord, Vinal and Foster present.

√ Hearings

In pursuance of orders approved November 10th, and an order passed this evening, hearings were given for all persons desiring to object in the matters of the laying out of

Oxford street,

Kingston street, (extension)

and

Wesley street,

all parties interested having been duly notified as appears by the officer's returns recorded, respectively, on pages 131, 139 and 147 of volume 4 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

In the Oxford street hearing, Mr. George Stephens, representing the owner of the premises situated at the southeasterly corner of Oxford and Central streets, appeared and objected to the laying out of the street in the manner proposed, namely thirty feet in width from Central street to the end of his premises, and thirty-five feet, more or less, from that point to School street. He understood it was proposed to make the sidewalk, where it would pass his estate, of a width of about one foot only, and from his premises on toward School street, of the ordinary width, leaving his fence extending nearly across the sidewalk. Such an arrangement

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at the principal entrance to the street would be decidedly objectionable and discreditable and calculated to reflect upon himself in the minds of those unacquainted with the circumstances. He would not object to the laying out of the street thirty feet in width for its entire length, or if he were found a fair compensation for the five feet strip which must be taken from his premises, he would not object to the thirty-five feet street in its entire length, although the taking of this strip would be a serious damage to his property, both for appearance and comfort, as his fence on the line of Oxford street is now only ten feet distant from his piazza and dining-room. He had no particular interest in the laying out of Oxford street as his premises fronted on Central street, which was the only street he really needed. He had been approached by the abutters on Oxford street at different times in regard to the taking or giving of his land for the widening of the street. He first gave a price of sixty cents a foot for the necessary five foot strip, and some years later after consulting with real estate agents, had given a price of one dollar per foot.

Messrs. Horace A. Grow, Charles D. Elliot, George A. Maynard, John A. Draper and Alfred Mobley appeared and favored the laying out of the street, although Mr. Elliot thought with Mr. Stephens that it would be far preferable to have the entrance at Central street thirty-five feet wide instead of thirty.

In the Kingston street hearing, Mr. J. F. Grantham appeared and objected to the laying out of the street under the betterment law.

No other persons interested appearing and desiring to be heard the hearings were closed.

The purpose for which it was assembled having been accomplished the convention was dissolved, and the Mayor and Aldermen returned to their chamber. — Convention Dissolved

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In Board of Aldermen — Board of Aldermen

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Talbot, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.

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√ Petitions	Received petitions each signed by a parent or guardian of the proposed licensee, that licenses to sell newspapers be granted to the following-named minors:- Wallace W. Blake and William A. McGregor, both approved by the Chief of Police. Licenses granted.
√ Petitions	Received petitions for licenses to cry their goods in the streets from James McCue and James Miller, both approved by the Chief of Police. Referred to Committee on Licenses.
√ Petition	Received a petition from Charles M. Emerson for a license as a common victualler at #447 Somerville Avenue. Referred to Committee on Licenses.
√ Petition	Received a petition from Amos L. Hathaway, that a license be issued permitting the use of naphtha for manufacturing purposes in quantities not exceeding three barrels per day, and to be kept in receptacles to be approved by the Chief of the Fire Department of the City of Somerville or his deputies, on the premises owned by Lottie M. Gould and situated at the southwest corner of Clifton street and Glenslow avenue. Referred to Committee on Fire Department.
√ Petition	Received a petition from the Somerville Electric Light Company, for permission to replace one pole on Thurston street, being the second pole north of Medford street, as shown on plan dated December 3d and filed with the city clerk. Placed on file.
√ Petition	Received a petition from the Somerville Electric Light Company for permission to remove one pole corner of Pearl and Glen streets, according to plan dated December 3d and filed with the City Clerk. Referred to Committee on Highways.
√ Petition	Received a petition from the Somerville Electric Light Company

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for permission to attach and maintain its cross arms and wires to these poles, owned by the city, on Chester street between Orchard street and Chester place.

Referred to Committee on Electric Lines.

Received petitions from:- | Petitions ✓

Luther R. Pillsbury and others for the laying out of Foster street at the grade already established.

Homer C. Holt and others, for the laying out of South Wyatt street from Concord avenue to Lincoln Park.

Carrie B. French, for a driveway across the sidewalk at #56 Adams street.

Referred to Committee on Highways and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. References concurred in.

Received a petition from Herbert W. Purcell, Manager and others, that a board track for the use of the Somerville High School Track Team be built in Seaborn Field, said track to be 220 yards or 1/8 of a mile in circumference; also that the track team be allowed the use of a certain small building on said field. | Petitions ✓

Referred to Committee on Public Grounds and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Reference concurred in.

Received a petition from S. J. Bowman and others, that a lamp be placed in some suitable position for the lighting of Winter Hill Circle. | Petition ✓

Referred to Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Reference concurred in.

Received the following report from the Committee on Elections and Returns:- | Report ✓ result of city election

To the Board of Aldermen of Somerville,-

The committee on elections and returns, having examined the returns of votes cast in the several voting precincts of the city at the election held therein December 6th, 1898, together with the certificate of the registrars of voters of the recount of the votes cast for a member of the

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school committee in each of the several voting precincts of ward no. two at said election, and having compared said returns and certificate with the city clerk's record thereof on pages 196 to 205 inclusive, of volume 1 of the Record of Elections of the city of Somerville, reports that the said returns and certificate are in due form and the said record agree therewith, that the said returns and the said record thereof have been altered and amended by the city clerk, without erasure, in accordance with said certificate of recount, and that as the result of said election, as appears by said amended returns and record, officers of the city for the ensuing municipal year have been elected, as follows:-

Mayor

George O. Proctor;

Aldermen from Ward one

F. De Witt Lapham, Orice M. Gracey;

Aldermen from Ward two

French O. J. Tarbox, William H. Ennis;

Aldermen from Ward three

Frederick M. Kilmer, Francis M. Gilson;

Aldermen from Ward four

Silas L. Cummings, Isaac M. Story;

Common Councilmen from Ward one

Robert Burns, Charles H. Ramsdell,
Willard P. P. Thomson, Edward E. Saben.

Common Councilmen from Ward two

Arthur A. Kinal, Henry C. Brice,
William F. Barker, Joseph S. Pike, Jr.

Common Councilmen from Ward three

William H. Cushman, Samuel T. Littlefield,
Charles A. Grimmons, T. Franklin Preston,

Common Councilmen from Ward four

John F. Foster, Joseph P. Boyce,
Paul J. Smith, Edwin F. Cushing;

Members of School Committee for three years

from Ward one - George S. Poole,
from Ward two - Fred G. Gilbert,
from Ward three - Quincy E. Dickerman,
from Ward four - Henrietta B. H. Attwood.

The following is a statement of the number of votes cast, at said election,

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on the question, - "shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this city?", as appears by said returns and record:-

Number of "Yes" votes, 1595

Number of "No" votes, 3501

Silas L. Cummings } Committee
James F. Dawlin } on
Frederick M. Kilmer } Elections

Accepted.

Alderman Cummings offered the following order:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the result of the election held in this city December 6th 1898, be and it hereby is declared to be as shown on pages 196 to 205 inclusive of volume 1 of the Record of Elections of the city of Somerville, and as stated in the report of the committee on elections and returns made this day.

Ordered:-

That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to notify the mayor-elect and the members-elect of the City Council for the year 1899 to assemble in Union Hall, Bow street, Monday, January 2, 1899, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of inaugurating the City Government for the ensuing municipal year.

Adopted.

Alderman Cummings offered the following order:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That his Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to make such arrangements as he may deem proper for the inauguration of the city government for the year 1899, any expense incurred hereunder to be charged to the account to which it may appropriately belong.

Read twice and adopted.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 15, 1898.

Alderman Tarbox offered the following order:- Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the license granted to Willie Coman, August 11, 1898, to sell newspapers be and the same hereby is revoked, the said licensee having

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surrendered his badge and license.

Adopted.

√ Reports

The Committee on Licenses,-

on petitions for licenses from Arthur G. Le Febvre to cry goods in the streets,- Carrie A. Sprague, as a common victualler at #80 Broadway,- George W. Mathewson, license of the 6th class, for the sale of liquor at #10 Broadway, and George E. Richer, to keep two billiard tables and one pool table at Hotel Goodbridge, Elm street reported orders;

on the petition of Margaret Hennessy, that her license, as a common victualler may hereafter apply to premises 524 B instead of 528 Medford street, reported an order;

on petitions for licenses from Joseph Hall, Georgios Bruntas and Tony Cianciolo to cry goods in the streets, and Matteo and Vito M. Domenico to play a piano-organ in the streets, reported leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

√ Orders

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows,-

Ordered:-

That a license be issued to the following-named person to cry goods in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such license; such license to expire on the first day of May next unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.

Arthur G. Le Febvre, of 11 Morrison St., Somerville.

Ordered:-

That a license, under the laws of the Commonwealth, to keep for public hire, Billiard, Pool, or Sippico Tables, or Bowling Alleys, as hereinafter stated, be issued to the following-named party, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for each table or alley to be kept under said license; such license to expire on the first day of May, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party	Number of Tables or Alleys				To be kept at
	Billiard Tables	Pool Tables	Sippico Tables	Bowling Alleys	
George E. Richer	2	1			Hotel Goodbridge - Elm St.

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Ordered:-

That a license as a common victualler, under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to the following-named party, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said license to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party.	Place of Business.
Carrie A. Sprague	50 Broadway

Ordered:-

That the City Clerk be, and hereby is, directed to issue to George W. Mathewson, druggist and apothecary, and registered pharmacist, a license of the sixth class, to sell liquors for medicinal, mechanical and chemical purposes only, and to such persons only, as may certify in writing for what use they may want it, at his place of business No. 10 Broadway, in two rooms on the first floor, when he shall have filed with the City Treasurer a satisfactory bond, with surety, in the sum of one thousand dollars, and shall have paid the fee provided by law; said license to expire May 1st, 1899 unless sooner forfeited or rendered void.

Ordered:-

That the license heretofore granted to Margaret Hennessy, as a common victualler, at No. 528 Medford street, shall hereafter apply to premises No. 524 B. Medford street; said license to expire May 1st, 1899, unless sooner revoked.

Adopted.

The Committee on Special Building Permits,- Reports ✓

on petitions for licenses to keep horses, from William A. Sanborn, 20 at southwest corner of Mystic avenue and Austin street, - M. W. Carr and Co., 25 in rear of Gorham street; - and C. D. Boss, Jr. (with remonstrance by C. O. Loomis against granting same) 18 at #159 Pearl street, and the petition of Edmund S. Sparrow for permission to build and maintain certain projections over the sidewalks at #425 Highland avenue, reported orders.

Accepted.

The orders, accompanying the foregoing reports, are as follows:- Orders ✓

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Ordered:-

That a license be, and hereby is granted to William A. Sanborn to keep twenty horses in a stable to be erected on the southwesterly corner of Mystic avenue and Austin street.

Ordered:-

That a license be, and hereby is granted to A. H. Carr and Co. to keep twenty-five horses in a stable to be erected on their land in rear of Gorham street.

Ordered:-

That a license be, and hereby is granted to Charles D. Bear, Jr. to keep eighteen horses in a stable situated at No. 159 Pearl street.

Ordered:-

That permission be, and hereby is, granted to Edmund S. Sparrow, to build and maintain projections over sidewalks, as follows:- At No. 425 Highland avenue, the coving of a one-story building, about twenty feet in length, forming the rear part of the store which fronts on Davis Square at the corner of Highland avenue, also the coving of a bay window in the first story of the front part of said store, both to project ten inches over the sidewalk of Highland avenue.

Adopted.

√ Orders
Agreements filed Dec 27/98

Alderman Lapham offered orders granting locations to the Somerville Electric Light Company in

Broadway

and

Thurston street

as recorded respectively, on pages 142 & 143 of volume 1, of the Records of Poles and Wires, Street Railways and Moving Buildings, of the Mayor and Alderman of the City of Somerville.

Adopted.

√ Reports

The Committee on Highways, on the petitions of

C. A. Noble for an edgestone at #267 Medford street.

L. S. Trueman, M.D., for relief from inconvenience caused by railway tracks in front of his driveway at #145 Summer street.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts, for per-

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mission to lay and maintain underground conduits with manholes in the streets, and the Somerville Electric Light Company, for locations for poles on Chester street, reported leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

The Committee on Highways, on the petitions of — Reports.

Nathaniel T. Pitt and others, for a crossing across Broadway from the westerly corner of Temple street;

Patrick McNamara and others, for crossings on Dane street;

Mathew De Longe Berge and others, that Columbia street be graded and levelled;

William Hilling and Company, and others, that Hater and South streets be put in good condition for travel;

West Somerville Board of Trade and O. J. Sparrow, that Davis square and the streets leading into it be graded and covered with asphalt;

John T. Burke and others and H. A. Horton and others, that Westminster street be graded and macadamized;

H. A. Horton and others and George O. Baxter and others, that Electric avenue be graded and macadamized;

Thomas Henderson and others, that Dane avenue be put in condition for travel;

Henry Barrett and others, that Summer street be laid with asphalt from Wesley square to School street;

William A. Hogg and others, and Joseph A. White and others, that Hudson street be macadamized from Lowell street to Cedar street;

Ally A. Simpson and Henry T. Sander, that the stone crusher be moved from its present location,

recommended leave to withdraw;

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Accepted in concurrence.

Resolves and orders for the laying out of — Resolves and Orders.

Oxford street,

Kingston street, (extension)

and

Wesley street

as recorded, respectively, on pages 102 to 106, 140 to 144, and 148 to 152, in

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clusive, of volume 3, of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, were

Read twice and adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Presented to the Mayor, Dec. 17, and Kingston street order approved by him Dec. 22nd. See veto messages on Oxford and Hesley street orders in meeting of Dec. 23, 1898.

√ Order — Alderman Lapham offered the following order:-

Ordered:-

That the City Treasurer be, and he hereby is, directed to transfer the sum of one hundred sixty-eight and 71/100 dollars ($168.71) from Highways account to Sidewalks account.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 27, 1898.

√ Report — The Committee on Public Property, on an order dated October 26th, reported that polling places were provided and prepared for the purposes of the Republican caucuses held in the several wards of the city, November 15th.

Accepted.

√ Reports — The Committee on Public Property,-

on an order dated October 12, reported that a contract has been made with John A. Dodge for the erection of a 6-room brick schoolhouse on the northerly side of Washington street near Dane street, for the sum of $23,300.

on an order dated July 13th, authorizing an expenditure of not exceeding $6000 for finishing furniture and fixtures for the Martin & Carr schoolhouse, reported that the amount authorized has been so expended;-

on the request of the School Committee for the purchase of land and the erection of schoolhouses, on not far from the corner of Washington and Dane streets in Yard two, and another near the corner of Willow and Frederick avenues in Yard four, reported

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that a building is now being erected on Washington street near Dane street, but that, in the judgment of the committee, it is inexpedient to take any action on the request for a building near the corner of Willow and Frederick avenues;

on the recommendation of the School Committee, relative to the erection of a 12-room school building at the corner of Central and Willoughby streets, reported inexpedient to take any action;

on the communication from the School Committee, transmitting a preamble and resolution as to the inadvisability of enlarging the Burns schoolhouse, reported no action necessary;

on the petition of Mr. J. H. Gerlach and others, that a fence be built around the Cummings school yard, reported leave to withdraw;

on the annual communication from the School Committee, requesting repairs on schoolhouses, reported that general repairs have been made as far as the appropriation would allow;

on an order dated April 30th, reported that a tablet designating the building has been placed on the front of the City Hall Annex, corner of Highland avenue and Walnut street, at an expense of of $55.00;

on an order dated October 12, directing the committee to take charge of the city's premises at the corner of Somerville avenue and Prospect street, heretofore used by the Water Commissioners, and an order dated November 9th, authorizing the committee to rent to the Somerville Veteran Firemen's Association the main building on said premises for the sum of one dollar per year, reported that the building has been rented to the association as authorized;

on an order dated July 13th, authorizing the purchase of the property called the Levi Russell estate, on Broadway and North street, containing 435,600 square feet of land, more or less, with buildings, for the sum of $15000, reported that the committee has been informed by the City Solicitor that he cannot pass the title as satisfactory, and the purchase has therefore not been consummated, and the committee recommended that the next City Council petition the legislature for authority to take the said estate for alms-

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house purposes;

on an order dated June 9th, requesting the committee to consider the advisability of placing iron gates at the entrances to all public buildings in its charge, reported that in the judgment of the committee it is advisable that gates be placed at the entrances of certain of the public buildings and recommended the reference of the matter to the next city council.

on a communication from the Adjutant-General of Massachusetts, concerning the inadequacy of the armory of Co. A, 5th Regt. M. V. M. and three separate petitions from Robert H. Hutton, Captain of said company, that a suitable armory be provided; also on petitions of David H. Crocker & others, that a suitable sanitary be placed in or near Davis square, and of Reuben Hittle for a suitable fence around the Kline school, recommended reference to the next city council.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Reports

The Committee on Public Grounds:-

on the petition of Charles H. Arnadell & others, that the dumping of ashes and stone on the city's land on Allen street be stopped, and that the land be again cleared of all said materials, reported that the committee has requested the Highway Department to remove said material and to discontinue dumping on said land.

on the communication from William A. Barrington in regard to the closing of the gates on the fence around Hyatt pit when not in use, reported that the matter has been attended to throughout the year, to the best of the committee's ability.

on an order dated April 18th, reported that plants, shrubs, bulbs, bedding, etc. for the parks and public grounds of the city for the season of 1898 have been furnished and cared for, at an expense of $900.00.

on an order dated July 13th, authorizing the expenditure of not more than five thousand dollars upon the laying out of Lincoln Park, reported that the park has been laid out and sub-graded

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as far as the appropriation would allow, and that the appropriation has been expended;

on an order dated July 13th, for the purchase of certain land on Prospect Hill for park purposes, reported that land has been purchased as authorized for the sum of $20,000 and the taxes for the present year amounting to $356.31;

on the petition of James S. Sanborn and others, that the city acquire land at the junction of Broadway and Main street for a park or square, to be called Paul Revere square, recommended reference to the next city council;

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Public Grounds, on the petition of Walter C. Mentzer and others, that land be taken and laid out as a boulevard from Powder House square to the junction of Mystic River and Alewife Brook, and an order of the City Council of 1897 creating a special committee to consider the matter covered by said petition, with the report of said committee thereon, reported as follows:- Report ✓

The committee, having carefully considered the proposed route for the boulevard as recommended by the committee of 1897, and being of the opinion that it is the best and most advisable route to adopt, have communicated with the owners of the several parcels of land through which the boulevard as proposed would run, and find them, with one or two exceptions, not only willing to release the land, but most anxious that the project should be carried through at the earliest possible date.

It would seem to this committee advisable that land on the proposed route of the boulevard be taken by the city, but to do this, legislation must first be obtained to empower the city to make necessary restrictions as to teaming, etc., and your committee would therefore recommend that the matter be brought before the General Court at the earliest possible time, in a petition for authority to take lands for the purpose of laying out a boulevard over said route.

The committee recommends that the entire matter be referred to the next city council for early action.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Accepted in concurrence.

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Indenture & Order (original of this Indenture filed with the City Treasurer)

Alderman Ball offered the following indenture and order transferring the care and control of the Metropolitan Park Commission a small portion of Broadway Park, situated at the corner of Mystic & Winthrop avenues.

This Indenture made this fourteenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight between the City of Somerville, party of the first part, and William B. de las Casas, Edwin B. Haskell, Thomas L. Livermore, Frank B. Manchester and Edwin U. Curtis, constituting at present the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, created by Act of the Legislature, Acts of 1893, Chapter 407, but no individual incurring any personal liability by reason of the execution hereof, party of the second part,

Witnesseth that said party of the first part doth hereby under and by virtue and in pursuance of the power and authority upon it conferred by said Act of the Legislature and of every other power and authority thereto enabling, and in consideration of One dollar paid by said Metropolitan Park Commissioners, transfer, assign and set over unto the said Metropolitan Park Commission, the care, control and custody, including police protection, of a parcel of land situated in said City of Somerville, County of Middlesex and Commonwealth aforesaid, containing Twenty-two hundred thirty-two square feet, more or less, being a portion of Broadway Park, so called, in said City of Somerville, and bounded and described as follows, to wit: beginning at a stake at the point of intersection of the Northwesterly side line of Winthrop Avenue with the Southwesterly side line of Mystic Avenue; thence South 45° 56' 7" West by said side line of Winthrop Avenue, One hundred ten and seventy-two hundredths (110.72) feet to a stake in said side line; thence turning back at an acute angle and running Northeasterly, curving to the left on a radius of One hundred twenty-four and fifty-four hundredths (124.54) feet through said land of the said City of Somerville, shown on the plan hereinafter referred to as Broadway Park, Sixty-seven and ninety-one one hundredths (67.91) feet to a stake; thence still Northeasterly, more Northerly, curving to the left on a radius of One hundred eighty-seven feet, through the same land, Fifty-nine and forty-nine hundredths (59.49) feet to a stake; thence still Northeasterly and Northerly, curving to the left on a radius of One hundred twenty feet through the same land Nineteen and ninety-seven hundredths (19.97) feet to a stake in the Southwesterly side line of said Mystic Avenue; thence South 38° 1' 03" East by said side line of Mystic

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Avenue, Seventy-three and four tenths (73.4) feet to the stake at the point of beginning, being a fence, marked 'A' on a plan entitled, 'Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan Park Commission, Fellsway Extension, Plan of Taking, Mystic Avenue to Broadway, Somerville, Mass. x x November 16, 1898, Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer,' being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' plan No. 167, recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds.

The parcel of land above described is a portion of the premises included in a Taking of Lands made by said City of Somerville in pursuance of Chapter 97 of the Acts of the Legislature of said Commonwealth for the year 1874, dated September 25, 1874 and recorded with said Middlesex South District Deeds, Book of Executions, No. 27, page 1.

To Have, and to Hold the said care and control, including police protection of the above, described premises, whether as above or however otherwise bounded and described, with the rights, easements and appurtenances thereto belonging to the said Metropolitan Park Commission for the term of Nine hundred ninety-nine years from the date hereof, free of rent, for the purposes set forth in Chapter Two hundred eighty-eight of the Acts of said Legislature for the year 1894, being an Act entitled 'An Act to authorize the construction of roadways and boulevards.'

And the said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners doth hereby in consideration of the transfer herein made, accept the care and control including police protection of the parcel above described, with the rights, easements and appurtenances thereto belonging for the purposes and under the powers and limitations above prescribed.

In Witness Whereof the parties do hereunto, and to a duplicate hereof set their hands, and seals on the day and year first above written, the said City of Somerville having caused its corporate seal to be hereto affixed and this indenture to be executed, acknowledged and delivered by Albion A. Gray its Mayor hereunto duly authorized by vote of the Common Council, and Board of Aldermen of said City, a copy of which vote is hereto annexed.

City of Somerville by

(City Seal) Albion A. Gray

Mayor.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

William B. de las Casas (Seal)

Edwin B. Harkell (Seal)

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(Seal)
(Seal)
Edwin H. Curtis (Seal)

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex, ss. Somerville, Dec. 31st, 1898.

Then personally appeared the above-named Albion F. Perry, Mayor, and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be the free act and deed of the City of Somerville.

George A. Vincent.
Justice of the Peace

City of Somerville.

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Whereas it is desirable that the care and control of a certain portion of the City's park, called "Broadway Park" be transferred to the Metropolitan Park Commission of the Commonwealth established by Act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth, being Chapter 407 of the Acts of the year 1893 for the purpose of construction thereon by said Park Commission of a roadway or boulevard as authorized by Chapter 355 of the Acts of said Legislature for the year 1894.

Now Therefore, it is

Ordered: that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized in the name and behalf of the City and under its corporate seal, to execute, acknowledge and deliver to said Metropolitan Park Commission, a transfer of the care, control and custody, including police protection, of that portion of said Broadway Park containing Twenty-two hundred thirty-two square feet, more or less, lying on the corner of Mystic Avenue and Hinckley Avenue, which is shown as parcel "A" upon a plan entitled "Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan Park Commission, Fellsway extension, Plan of Taking, Mystic Ave., to Broadway, Somerville, Mass. x x Nov. 16, 1898. Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commission's plan No. 167.

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Adopted: sent down for concurrence.

George A. Vincent, Clerk

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Laid on the table.

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Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

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Taken from the table, and adopted in concurrence.

Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

Somerville, December 29th, 1895. Approved. Albion A. Perry, Mayor.

Order of Concurrence

Alderman Ball offered the following instrument of taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission of Chauncy and Winthrop avenues as State boulevards, with concurrence in such taking by the City Council, -

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,

November 22, 1895.

Whereas the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, entitled "An Act to authorize construction of roadways and boulevards," being chapter two hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the year 1894, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land herein after described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act, and in Chapter 450 of the Acts of the year 1895;

Now Therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said acts, and of any and every other power and authority we hereto in any wise enabling, and under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the City Government of the City of Somerville, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said acts, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, the same being two parcels lying in the City of Somerville in the County of Middlesex, and shown on plan marked, "Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan Park Commission, Fellsway Extension, Plan of Taking, Mystic Avenue to Broadway, Somerville, Mass. * * November 16, 1895, Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 167, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is

on file in the official archives of said Commissioners and bounded and described as follows, to wit:-

First:- Beginning at a stone bound at the point of intersection of the Northwesterly side line of Winthrop Avenue with the Northeasterly side line of Broadway; thence South 42° 31' 3" East across the junction of said Winthrop Avenue with Broadway, Fifty and seventeen hundredths (50.17) feet to a stake at the point of intersection of the Southeasterly side line of said Winthrop Avenue with the Northeasterly side line of said Broadway; thence on the same course by said side line of Broadway, Forty-nine and twenty-six hundredths (49.26) feet to a stake in said side line at land of Thomas Bates; thence turning back at an acute angle and running Northwesterly, Northerly and Northeasterly, curving to the right on a radius of Forty-eight feet through said land of Thomas Bates, Thirty-one and two tenths (31.2) feet to a stake in the division line between said land of Thomas Bates on the Southeast and land of Franklin O. Reed on the Northwest at a point distant Nine and eighty-four hundredths (9.84) feet Northeasterly, measuring along said division line from its intersection with the Northeasterly side line of said Broadway; thence North 41° 34' 22" East by said division line, Seventy-five and five tenths (75.5) feet to a stake at land of L.K. Wilber and another; thence North 48° 20' 50" West by said land of Wilber and another, Ten and forty-five hundredths (10.45) feet to a stake in the Southeasterly side line of said Winthrop Avenue; thence North 48° 58' 7" East by said side line of Winthrop Avenue, Eleven hundred thirty-three and thirty-two hundredths (1133.32) feet to a stake at the point of intersection of said last named side line with the Southwesterly side line of Mystic Avenue; thence North 33° 1' 33" West across the junction of said Winthrop Avenue with Mystic Avenue, Fifty and fifty-one one hundredths (50.51) feet to a stake at the point of intersection of said Southwesterly side line of Mystic Avenue with the Northwesterly side line of said Winthrop Avenue; thence South 48° 58' 7" West by said side line of Winthrop Avenue as it runs by Broadway Park Twelve hundred twenty-six and five tenths (1226.5) feet to the stone bound at the point of beginning, comprising the street shown on said plan as Winthrop Avenue and land of Franklin O. Reed and land of Thomas Bates.

Second:- a parcel containing Sixty-six thousand one hundred eighty three square feet, comprising the location of Channey Avenue as shown on said plan and bounded, beginning at a stone bound at the point of intersection of the Southeasterly side line of said Channey Avenue with the Northeasterly

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side line of said Broadway; thence North 56° 59' 57" East by said side line of said Chauncy Avenue as it runs by Broadway Park as shown on said plan, Thirteen hundred nineteen and forty-eight hundredths (1319.48) feet to a stake at the point of intersection of said side line of Chauncy Avenue with the Southwesterly side line of said Mystic Avenue; thence North 33° 1' 03" West by the extension of said side line of Mystic Avenue on a straight line across the junction of said Chauncy and Mystic Avenues, Fifty (50) feet to a stake in the point of intersection of the Northwesterly side line of Chauncy Avenue with the said side line of Mystic Avenue; thence South 56° 59' 57" West by said side line of Chauncy Avenue, Thirteen hundred twenty-seven and eighty-four hundredths (1327.84) feet to a stake at the point of intersection of said Northwesterly side line of Chauncy Avenue with the said Northeasterly side line of Broadway; thence South 42° 31' 3" East across the junction of said Chauncy Avenue with said Broadway, Fifty and seven tenths (50.7) feet to the stone bound at the point of beginning.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate, or parcel of land thereof included within the foregoing description or however otherwise bounded or described and be said measurements, or any of them, more or less.

All names of owners herein given, although supposed to be correct, are stated only as a matter of information and belief.

Witness our hands this Thirtieth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

Know All Men By These Presents—

That Whereas, the Metropolitan Park Commission, duly established under and by virtue of an act of the Legislature of Massachusetts, being chapter 407 of the Acts of the year 1893, has taken, under authority conferred upon it by chapter 358 of the Acts of the year 1894, and with the concurrence of and in consultation with the proper local board, being the City Government of the City of Somerville, in the County of Middlesex, in said Commonwealth, and for the purposes defined in said last named act, certain real estate referred to or described in the Taking to which this instrument is appended, dated November 30, 1898, these presents being hereby made a part thereof, which real estate lies in said Somerville, and is shown

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upon a plan marked "Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan Park Commission, Tolleway Extension, Plan of Taking, Mystic Avenue to Broadway, Somerville, Mass. x x November 16, 1895. Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' plan No. 167, to be recorded herewith:

Now, Therefore, the said City Government for said City of Somerville, all duly sworn, qualified and acting, doth hereby join in, and signify its approval of said Taking, and its concurrence with the said Metropolitan Park Commission therein, and in every act, matter and thing connected therewith.

City of Somerville, In Board of Aldermen, December 14, 1895.

Adopted: sent down for concurrence.

George L. Clement, Clerk.

City of Somerville, In Common Council, December 14, 1895.

Laid on the table.

Chas. L. Robertson, Clerk.

City of Somerville, December 23rd, 1895. In Common Council.

Taken from the table and adopted in concurrence.

Chas. L. Robertson, Clerk.

(see subsequent record.)

Order of Concurrence

Alderman Pall offered the following instrument passed by the Metropolitan Park Commission, establishing building lines on the land abutting on Chauncy and Winthrop avenues, with concurrence in such action by the City Council.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,

November 30, 1895.

Whereas the undersigned, duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, entitled "An Act to authorize construction of roadways and boulevards," being chapter two hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the year 1894, deem it desirable and expedient to take the rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act, and in chapter 450 of the Acts of the year 1895; and

Whereas the said Commission has heretofore, to wit, by an instrument of Taking dated November 30, 1895, and accompanied by its official plan No.

167 (said Taking and said plan being recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, and being hereby expressly referred to) established an extension of that portion of the Middlesex Fells Parkway, called Fellsway, lying between Mystic Avenue and Broadway, in Somerville in the County of Middlesex; and

Whereas said Commission further deems it desirable and expedient to provide for a set-back and prescribe a building line, and to impose building restrictions upon certain of the lands adjacent to said extension of said Parkway

Now Therefore, we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said Acts, and of any and every other power and authority we hereto in any wise possessing, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the City Government of the City of Somerville, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said acts, and for all the purposes therein provided and herein recited, all such rights including easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature, as may be necessary to give full force, virtue and effect to the restriction for the term of nine hundred and ninety-nine years from the date of these presents, that no building of any kind shall be erected or maintained upon or over any of those strips or lots of land abutting upon said extension of said Parkway which are described as follows:-

First: a parcel of land adjoining and lying Northwesterly of the second parcel described in said Taking and bounded Northeast by Mystic Avenue, Ten (10) feet; Southeast by the Northwesterly boundary line of the above mentioned second parcel described in said Taking, Eight hundred thirty-five (835) feet, more or less; Southwest by the Northeasterly side line of Jaques Street as shown on said plan, Ten (10) feet; and Northwest by the dotted red line shown on the plan hereinafter referred to, being a straight line drawn parallel with and distant Ten (10) feet Northwesterly from the bound second herein above given, Eight hundred thirty-five (835) feet, more or less.

Second: a parcel also adjoining and lying Northwesterly of the second parcel described in said Taking and bounded Northeast by the Southwesterly side line of said Jaques Street, Ten (10) feet; Southeast by the Northwesterly boundary line of the second parcel above referred to described in said Taking, Three hundred eighty-eight (388) feet, more or less; Southwest

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by land of A. Kelley, Ten (10) feet, and Northwest by the dotted red line shown on the plan hereinafter referred to, being a straight line drawn parallel with and distant Ten (10) feet Northwesterly from the bound second herein given, Three hundred eighty-eight (388) feet, more or less.

Third: a parcel adjoining and lying Southeasterly of the first parcel described in said Taking and bounded Northeast by Mystic Avenue, Twenty-five (25) feet; Southeast by the dotted red line shown on the plan hereinafter referred to, being a straight line parallel with and distant Twenty-five (25) feet Southeasterly from the Southeasterly boundary line of the said first parcel described in said Taking, Four hundred three (403) feet, more or less; Southwest by the Northeasterly side line of Edmonton Avenue as shown on the plan hereinafter referred to, Twenty-five (25) feet; and Northwest by the Southeasterly boundary line of the above mentioned first parcel described in said Taking, Four hundred three (403) feet, more or less.

Fourth: another parcel adjoining and lying Southeasterly of the first parcel described in said Taking and bounded Northeast by the Southwesterly side line of said Edmonton Avenue, Twenty-five (25) feet; Southeast by the dotted red line shown on said plan, being a straight line parallel with and distant Twenty-five (25) feet Southeasterly from the Southeasterly boundary line of the said first parcel described in said Taking, Two hundred eighty-seven (287) feet, more or less; Southwest by the Northeasterly side line of Blakely Avenue, Twenty-five (25) feet; and Northwest by the Southeasterly boundary line of the said first parcel described in said Taking, Two hundred eighty-seven (287) feet, more or less.

Fifth: another parcel lying Southeasterly of and adjacent to said first parcel described in said Taking and bounded as follows: beginning at the point of intersection of the Southwesterly side line of said Blakely Avenue with the Southeasterly boundary line of the first parcel described in said Taking; thence Southeasterly by said side line of Blakely avenue, Twenty-five (25) feet to a point; thence turning and running South 48°58'7" West through land of Frank, of Norris & others through land of L. K. Wilbur and another, and through land of Franklin O. Reed, Four hundred thirty-seven (437) feet, more or less, to a point in the Southeasterly boundary line of the first parcel above mentioned described in said Taking; thence Northerly by said boundary line of said Taking, Eight (8) feet, more or less, to an angle in said boundary line; thence North 41°34'22" East, still by said boundary line, Seventy-five and five tenths (75.5) feet to another angle in said line; thence North 48°20'53" West by said boundary line, Ten

and forty-five hundredths (10.45) feet to an iron stake at another angle in said line; thence North 48° 55' 7" East still by the same, Three hundred sixty (360) feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

For the names of the owners of the estates affected by the Taking and by the building restrictions hereby created and imposed, reference is hereby made to information stated upon said first mentioned plan, but all names of owners thereupon given, although supposed to be correct, are stated only as per office of information and belief. The plan secondly hereinabove referred to is entitled, "Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan Park Commission, Fellsway Extension, Plan Showing Building Line, Mystic Avenue to Broadway, Somerville, Mass. ** November 19, 1898, Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 165, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners.

Witness our hands this Thirtieth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Metropolitan Park Commission.

Know All Men By These Presents.—

That Whereas the Metropolitan Park Commission duly established under and by virtue of an Act of the Legislature of Massachusetts, being Chapter 407 of the Acts of the year 1893, has taken under authority conferred upon it by Chapter 255 of the Acts of the year 1894, with the concurrence of and in consultation with the proper local board, being the City Government of the City of Somerville in the County of Middlesex in said Commonwealth, and for the purposes defined in said last named act, certain rights in lands, including easements and appurtenances referred to or described in the Taking to which this instrument is annexed dated November 30, 1898, these presents being hereby made a part thereof, which land lies in said Somerville and is shown upon the plan marked, "Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan Park Commission, Fellsway Extension, Plan Showing Building Line, Mystic Avenue to Broadway, Somerville, Mass. ** November 19, 1898, Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' plan No. 165 to be recorded herewith.

Now Therefore the said City Government of said City of Somerville, all duly sworn, qualified and acting, doth hereby join in and signify its

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approval of said Taking and its concurrence with said Metropolitan Park Commission therein, and in every act, matter and thing connected therewith.

City of Somerville, In Board of Aldermen, December 14, 1898.
Adopted; sent down for concurrence.
George I. Vincent, Clerk.

City of Somerville, In Common Council, December 14, 1898.
Laid on the table.
Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

December 23, 1898. City of Somerville, In Common Council,
Taken from the table and adopted in concurrence.
Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

(see subsequent record.)

√ Order — Alderman Ball offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Public Grounds be, and it hereby is, authorized to remove the iron fence and granite posts around Broadway Park and to store or sell the fence and posts, as in their judgment may be for the best interests of the city.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council Dec. 14. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Presented to the Mayor Dec. 15.

√ Order — On motion of Alderman Ball, the order returned by the Mayor October 26th with a veto message thereon, authorizing the Committee on Public Grounds to dispose of the iron fence and granite posts around Broadway Park, was taken from the table and its adoption, notwithstanding the objection of the mayor, was lost by a yea and nay vote, - Aldermen Tarbox, Davlin and Lamont, - 3, voting in the affirmative and Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball - 5, voting in the negative.

√ Reports — The Committee on Fire Department,-

on an order dated Sept. 6th, reported that a contract has been made with D. T. Merrill for the construction of a two-door fire

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station on Holland street at the corner of Newbury street for the sum of $13,957.00, and that the building is now being erected;

on orders dated, respectively, January 19th, March 9th, and July 13th, for the purchase and disposal of horses, reported that five horses have been purchased at a cost of $667.50, and five have been sold for the sum of $175.40;

on the petition of the members of Ladder Company No. 1 for new fire hats, as those now in use afford no protection, recommended reference to the next City Council.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Electric Lines.— Reports ✓

on the petition of James F. McNamara and others, for a fire-alarm box at the corner of Dane and Village streets, reported that one has been placed at the corner of Skehan and Village streets;

on the petition of Theodore F. Bassett and others, for a fire-alarm box at the corner of Tufts and Glen streets, reported leave to withdraw;

on an order dated July 13th, authorizing an expenditure of not more than $1500.00 for the purchase of fire-alarm and police signal boxes, reported that the sum of $1455.66 has been so expended;

on an order dated November 9th, reported that poste for the support of city wires, have been erected in Chester street — one at the northerly corner of Orchard street, one in front of estate #37 and one in front of estate #29;

on the petition of P. B. Shiere and others, for a fire-alarm box in Cutter square, recommended reference to the next city council;

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Accepted in concurrence.

Alderman Davlin, chairman of the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, presented reports of electrical experts of tests made of the Welsbach and the thirty-two candle power incandescent electric light now in use in the streets of the city, one of the reports being made to the Wels- Reports ✓

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bach Street Lighting Company by H. E. Clifford of the Rogers Laboratory of Physics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Dec 14, 1898, demonstrating the superiority of the Welsbach over the incandescent lights, and the other made to the Somerville Electric Light Company by Stone and Webster, dated December 8th, demonstrating the superiority of the incandescent lights

Read and sent down for information

In Common Council, Dec. 23. Read for information

√ Order

Alderman Davlin offered the following order,-

Ordered.-

That the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to inform the Somerville Electric Light Company and the Welsbach Street Lighting Company of America that this board will hear, at its meeting to be held December 28, 1898, at 8 o'clock P. M. an expert representative of each company who can explain the relative merits of the Welsbach lights and the 32 candle power incandescent electric lights now in the streets of this city.

Adoption lost.

√ Reports

The Committee on Fuel and Street Lights.-

on an order dated September 14, to consider the advisability of placing an arc light on the summit of Nathan Tufts Park, reported inexpedient;

on an order dated Sept. 14, reported that two Welsbach lights have been placed in Kidder avenue, and one additional Welsbach light in Melvin street.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, December 14. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order

Alderman Davlin offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights be, and is hereby, authorized to re-locate such electric lights as in the judgment of the committee may seem best, for the interest of the city, the expenses incurred by such changes, if any, to be charged to Streets Lights account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

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In Common Council, Dec. 14. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 15, 1895.

The Committee on Fuel & Street Lights, on an order dated March 16th, to consider the question of a new contract with the Somerville Electric Light Company and to ascertain the best terms the company is willing to make on one, two and three years contracts, respectively, reported the following terms proposed by the electric light company, – Report ✓

The general forms and conditions of contract shall be the same as our present contract.

We shall not be required to run wires to Proctor Avenue but may furnish lights there as at present from the Medford circuit.

The proportion of Incandescent lamps to Arc lamps shall not be increased from the present proportion of 4 Incandescents to 7 Arcs.

Deductions for "Outs" shall be made pro rata for the time the lights are out.

We do not care to contract for 400 Arcs for one year.

We will furnish lights as follows:–

2	Year Contract,	400	Arcs at	$110,	and 211	Incandescents at	$25.
3	do.	do.	400	do.	do. $109,	do. 211	do. do.	do. $25.
4	do.	do.	400	do.	do. $107.50	211	do. do.	do. $25.
5	do.	do.	400	do.	do. $106	do. 211	do. do.	do. $25.

Additional lights at pro rata prices.

Should the City require 450 Arcs during a 5 year contract then the price thereafter would be $104. per Arc. Should the City require 500 Arcs during a 5 year contract then the price thereafter would be $102 per Arc. Should the City require 550 Arcs during a 5 year contract then the price thereafter would be $100 per Arc.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec 14. Accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Fuel & Street Lights submitted a draft of contract with the Somerville Electric Light Company for lighting the streets and public grounds of the city for two years, beginning November 1, 1895, with a bond in the sum of $10,000. for the faithful observ- Report ✓

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ance of the contract, and submitted an order.

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Laid on the table until the next meeting of the Common Council.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Taken from the table and accepted in concurrence.

√ Order

The order submitted with the foregoing report is as follows,-

Ordered:-

That his Honor the Mayor be, and hereby is, requested to sign the contract in behalf of the city, which has been presented this evening by the Somerville Electric Light Company, for supplying electricity for street lighting for a term of two years from November 1st, 1898. The expense of lighting under said contract to be charged to Street Lights account.

Read twice, and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Laid on the table until the next meeting of the Common Council.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Taken from the table. Read twice, and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 29, 1898.

√ Report

The Committee on Soldiers' Relief, on an order dated October 26th, reported that turkeys for Thanksgiving were distributed to needy soldiers and sailors and families of soldiers and sailors of the Civil War, residing in this city, at a cost of $576.05.

Accepted, and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Report

The Committee on Ordinances, on the draft of ordinance establishing fire-districts, referred to said committee May 15th, reported inexpedient to take any action.

Accepted. — Acceptance reconsidered and report recommitted to Committee on Ordinances, with instructions to report at the next meeting.

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The Committee on Ordinances, on an order dated November 16th, to consider the expediency of submitting a draft of an ordinance that shall establish a uniform rule in reference to projections of buildings and parts of buildings over the public streets and squares of the city, reported an ordinance. — Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec 14 Accepted in concurrence.

The ordinance submitted with the foregoing report, entitled "An Ordinance in Relation to Coverings over Public Ways and Squares" was — Ordinance ✓

Read twice and passed to be enrolled. Sent down for concurrence.

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The Committee on Ordinances, on an order dated Sept. 25, requesting the committee to report an ordinance to provide for necessary and proper assistance to the City Solicitor in the preparation and trial of cases in behalf of the City, recommended reference to the next City Council. — Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14 Accepted in concurrence.

Alderman Lamont offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the City Messenger be, and he hereby is, directed to procure a portrait of his Honor, Mayor Perry, to be hung in the Board of Aldermen chamber in the City Hall, at an expense of not exceeding seventy-five dollars; the amount so expended to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 14 Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Presented to the Mayor, Dec. 24.

Adjourned.

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Attest,

George S. Vincent

Clerk

Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen, called by the Mayor to receive the report of the joint special committee on Charter Revision and to transact any other business that might come before the board, all of the members having been duly notified in writing.—

City Hall, Somerville, December 23, 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry, presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.

Records approved.

Received the following veto message from his Honor, the Mayor. Lets ✓

City of Somerville, Mass.

Mayor's Office

December 22nd, 1898.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:—

I return herewith, disapproved, the order which originated in your Honorable Board on the fourteenth day of the present month, under which it is proposed to lay out, as a public highway Oxford street, so called.

First of all, let me say that I am not opposed to the acceptance and improvement of Oxford street. On the contrary, it is a measure which commends itself to my unqualified favor. My objections to the order relate solely to the manner in which it is proposed to lay out the street.

Oxford street, although a private way, has been open to the public travel for more than fifty years, and houses have stood upon it for at least a third of a century. It is about fourteen hundred feet in length, extending from School street to Central street, and thus connects two important thoroughfares. It is compactly built up on both sides, and many of our most worthy, and public-spirited citizens have their homes there. A street of such a length and character is deserving of better treatment than can be given to it under this order.

At present, the street is of different widths, varying from thirty to forty feet. In order to lay it out of a uniform width of forty feet, radical and somewhat costly changes of grade would be required. In view of this fact, it is thought by the abutters that the width should be fixed at thirty-five feet. In this opinion I concur, as travel over the street is likely always to be light, and there is no probability that car tracks will ever be laid in it.

If Oxford street is accepted and laid out under this order, it will run from School street to a point within ninety-five feet of Central street, at a width of thirty-five feet. At the last-named point, the southwesterly side line will be deflected, at a right angle, and the remainder of the street will be thirty feet wide. According to the plan on file, the width of the sidewalk on the southwesterly side, between the angle and Central street, is reduced to one foot, the widths in other parts of the street being from six to seven feet.

The abrupt change in the width of the street, to which I have referred, is made in order to avoid the purchase of four hundred and seventy-five square feet of land belonging to the Stephens' estate, the assessed value of which is about $[illegible]. Economy in the expenditure of public money is commendable, but is it wise to spoil one of our residential streets, and, perhaps, render it unsafe for travel, merely to save such a trifling sum at the start? As a rule, I admit that the city should not be expected to buy land for public streets; but under the peculiar circumstances of this case it seems proper to make a small outlay to secure a safe and sightly highway. In my opinion, it would be unfair to the abutters and a disgrace to the city to lay out a public street in the manner contemplated by this order. If it should be deemed proper to proceed under the so-called "Betterment Act," the cost of the improvement could be equitably apportioned between the city and the land owners on the street.

It is deserving of careful consideration by your Honorable Body whether such a jog in the street as has been described might not constitute a defect in the eye of the law, for which the city would be liable in case of accident.

It is clear that liability would be created if the city should erect a barrier, or permit one to remain, on a sidewalk in any existing street. As will be seen by an examination of the plan, the sidewalk on the south-

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westerly side of the street will come to an abrupt end at the fence inclosing the Stephens' lot. Unless a bright light is constantly maintained at night where sidewalk and fence meet, pedestrians are likely occasionally to come into violent collision with the fence. At best, they must leave the sidewalk at the jog, and choose between crossing the street or continuing their journey to Central street in the gutter. I can not believe the City Council will sanction and give permanency to an obstruction in a public highway in the original laying out of the same. The City Solicitor informs me that, in his opinion, the city would be liable for injuries occasioned by the abrupt narrowing of the sidewalk. It would only be necessary to satisfy a jury that the injuries were due to the peculiar condition or construction of the street. Those who have had experience in court know how easy it often is to convince a jury of a city's liability.

It has been suggested that the city would be liable for accidents resulting from defects in Oxford street, even if it continued to be a private way. Under certain conditions this would be true if the street were open to public travel; but travellers on unaccepted streets are usually warned of danger by conspicuous signs. After the acceptance of Oxford street, it would seem somewhat peculiar to placard it as unsafe, and yet such would be the duty of the city if the highway were laid out in the manner prescribed in the order.

It is unfortunate that such extraordinary, if not wholly unprecedented, legislation should be enacted in the last weeks of the municipal year, when no time remains for the correction of errors. If the subject had been dealt with at an earlier date, it would have been possible to prepare a new plan, and adopt a new order, free from the objections herein referred to.

If this order is rejected I do not doubt that the abutters will present a revised plan, accompanied by proper releases, and that the incoming city council will gladly vote to lay out the street in a suitable manner, conformably to long established precedent. If, on the other hand, the present order is adopted, notwithstanding the objections above set forth, no part of the responsibility for the creation of a public eyesore will rest upon the mayor.

Respectfully submitted,

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Albion A. Perry,
Mayor

Read for information.

√ Order

The order returned with the foregoing veto message, for the laying out of Oxford street, as recorded on pages 132 to 136, inclusive, of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, was

Reconsidered. Adoption, notwithstanding the objections of the Mayor, lost by a yea and nay vote, - Aldermen Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont and Kilmer - 4, being less than two thirds, voting in the affirmative and Aldermen Lapham, Cummings and Ball, 3 - in the negative. (Alderman Huntley absent or not voting.)

√ Veto

Received the following veto message from his Honor, the Mayor,

City of Somerville, Mass.
Mayor's Office

December 22nd, 1898.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:-

I return herewith, disapproved, the order which originated in your Honorable Board on the fourteenth day of the present month, under which it is proposed to lay out as a public highway Wesley street, so called.

This is another street which, as I have already said of Oxford street, should be accepted and put in good condition; but the work ought not to be done in the faulty manner authorized by the order now under consideration.

Wesley street now runs from Pearl street, northeastwardly, to a point distant fifty feet, southwestwardly, from Otis street. If laid out according to the present plan, its only connection with Otis street will be by a private court, fifteen feet in width, and fifty feet in length, over which the city will have no legal control. By taking two small parcels of land, one on each side of the court, Wesley street can be extended, at its full width of forty feet, to Otis street, and it will then be a safe and attractive highway. The total area of the land to be taken, exclusive of the court, is about twelve hundred and fifty square feet, and its assessed value does not exceed four hundred dollars. If the street is laid out under the betterment

law, a part of the cost of this land can be assessed upon estates benefited.

On the same day this order was adopted, both branches of the City Council voted to lay out Kingston street, where a small strip of private land is to be taken, under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments. Can any good reason be given for pursuing different methods in laying out highways, where conditions are essentially the same? If it is desirable to avoid a dead or defective end in Kingston street, the same is true of Hicley street; and the betterment law may be applied in the one case as properly as in the other.

All of the objections enumerated in my veto of the Oxford street order apply with still greater force to the order now under consideration; but it is not necessary that I should state them anew. I will merely say that I can not conscientiously approve the laying out of a public street in such a way as to deface the city and create a menace to life and limb.

While I believe it is just and expedient to lay out both Oxford and Hicley streets under the betterment law, it would be better for the city to bear the entire expense rather than to resort to such objectionable and dangerous methods in order to save a few hundred dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

Albion A. Perry,

Mayor.

Read for information.

The order returned with the foregoing veto message, for the laying out of Hicley street, as recorded on pages 145 to 152, inclusive, of volume 3 of the Records of the Laying Out of Streets of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville, was — Order ✓

Reconsidered. Adoption, notwithstanding the objections of the Mayor, but by a yea and nay vote:- Aldermen Talbot, Durkin, Lamont and Kelman, - 4, being less than two thirds, voting in the affirmative, and Aldermen Lapham, Cummings and Ball - 3, in the negative. (Alderman Huntley, absent or not voting.)

Received, a recommendation from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department that, as Wilber H. Young has served as a member of the — Recommendation ✓

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Fire Department for the probationary term of six months, his appointment to be made permanent under the ordinances of the city and the Civil Service rules.

Appointment, as recommended, made by the Mayor and, under a suspension of the rules, confirmed by the Board of Aldermen.

√ Petition

Received a petition from Charles A. Goodman, endorsed by his employer, John P. Squire & Company, and approved by the Chief of Police, that he be appointed a special police without compensation.

Appointment, as requested, made by the Mayor and, under a suspension of the rules, confirmed by the Board of Aldermen.

√ Petition

Received a petition from Bald Rock Lodge, I.O.O.F. for a license to give two minstrel entertainments in Fraternity Hall, Davis square, Monday and Tuesday evenings, January 16 and 17, 1899.

License granted.

√ Petition

Received a petition from George A. Hilds for a license as an auctioneer.

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

√ Petition

Received a petition from the Boston Elevated Railway Company for a license to keep twenty-six horses on the basement of the car-house used by said company on the westerly side of Washington street between Prospect and Austin streets.

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permit.

√ Petition

Received a petition from John J. Tobin for permission to place an incandescent electric light in front of his store #327 Somerville avenue, to project over the sidewalk about 4 feet.

Referred to Committee on Special Building Permits.

√ Petition

Received a petition from Charles A. Berry for permission to move a wooden building measuring 70 feet in length, 35 feet in breadth and about 36 feet in extreme height and now standing on land of Downing on the westerly side of Austin street in Cambridge, through Austin and

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Beacon street, to land of the petitioner on the southwesterly side of Beacon street near Eustis street; certified by the Superintendent of Streets and the Superintendent of Electric Lines that the statement as to construction and measurement is substantially correct and, in their opinion, the proposed removal can be made without injury to public or private property.

Referred to Committee on Highways.

The Committee on Fire Department, on the petition of Amos L. Catheway, for a license permitting the use of naphtha for manufacturing purposes, in quantities not exceeding 3 barrels per day, to be kept in receptacles to be approved by the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department or his deputies, on the premises now owned by Lottie M. Gould and situated on the southeast corner of Clifton street and Winslow avenue, recommended reference to the next board of aldermen. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The Committee on Highways, — Reports ✓

on the waiver of notice of The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts of a hearing in the matter of certain necessary changes in the locations of its poles on Middlesex avenue at the Parkway, the proposed locations to be as designated by red dots on plan dated September 28, 1898, and accompanying the petition, reported an order;

on an order dated April 27, to consider the advisability of placing edgestones in front of the city's lot on Holland street, known as the Ledge Lot, reported inexpedient.

on the petition of J. B. Goldthwait, for the removal of a decayed or dead tree in front of #257 Broadway, reported that the tree has been removed.

Accepted.

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows: — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That (The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts having been given opportunity to be heard in re-

and to the alteration and change in the location of certain poles of said company on Middlesex avenue, as hereinafter referred to, and said company having waived notice, as appears by its waiver in writing, hereto annexed, of a hearing in the matter of said alteration and change) the following described alterations and changes in the locations and erection of poles of the said company shall be made and are hereby ordered, namely, referring to the plan, filed with the City Clerk, entitled "The New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. of Massachusetts, Relocation for Poles in Somerville, Mass. Boston, Sept. 28, 1898." the poles located in Middlesex avenue, on the easterly side thereof, indicated on said plan by the red dots numbered, respectively 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, are to be removed and the locations of seven poles in said Middlesex avenue to be erected as substitutes for said poles to be removed shall conform to their locations as shown on said plan, on which said locations are also indicated by the same red dots.

Said alterations and changes are to be made by said company with=out unnecessary delay and at its expense; the said new poles are to conform in material, construction and appearance to the line of poles in Middlesex avenue of which they will form a part, and before being erected are to be approved by the Superintendent of Electric Lines and shall be erected under the supervision and direction of said superintendent; - and said poles shall be subject to, and shall be erected and maintained by said company subject to all the provisions, terms and conditions, under which the said removed poles on the line of poles in Middlesex avenue, of which the said poles to be erected will form a part, were or are erected, constructed or maintained.

The change of said old poles for said new poles shall be completed within thirty days from the date hereof.

Adopted.

Order of Waiver of Notice attached to foregoing order.

The New England Telephone & Telegraph Company of Massachusetts.

Executive Office.

125 Milk Street,

P.O. Drawer 119.

Boston, Sept. 30, 1898.

To the Board of Aldermen of the

City of Somerville, Mass.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachu-

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sets hereby waives notice of hearing in the matter of certain necessary changes in the location of its poles on Middlesex Avenue at the parkway. The proposed locations to be as designated by red dots on plan dated Sept. 28, 1898, attached.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts.
By G. J. Denver
Director.

The Committee on Highways, on petitions for sidewalks from: — Reports ✓

Horner A. Holt, brick, in front of his premises on Cook, Taunton, Hyatt and Hammond streets and Concord avenue,

H. C. Holt and Catherine H. McGuire, gravel with edgestones, both sides of Cook street, from Marion to South Hyatt St.,

John Higgens and others, brick, on westerly side of Prescott street,

Park Avenue M. E. Church and others, on northeasterly side of Park avenue, between Elm and Chandler streets,

John E. Boyden and others, gravel with edgestones, northwesterly side of Gorham street from Holland to Howard St.,

Ormon D. Baker and others, brick, northwesterly side of Day street,

and on the petition of Philip Ebeale for the removal of trees in front of 242 and 244 Somerville avenue,

recommended reference to the next board of aldermen.

Accepted.

The Committee on Highways, — Reports ✓

on the petitions of George H. Taylor and others, for the relaying of the sidewalk in front of Nos. 346 to 354 Elm street and L. R. Kerr and others, for the repairing of the sidewalk on Benedict street, reported that the work has been done as prayed for;

on an order dated October 12th, making certain changes in the grade of Jenny Lind avenue between Medford street and Broadway, and instructing the committee to perform whatever work might be necessary to adapt the street to such change of grade, reported that the directions of the order had been complied with;

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on an order dated July 13, making certain changes in the grade of Monmouth street, and directing the Committee to perform the necessary work to adapt the street to such change of grade, reported that the work had been done as ordered;

on the petition of J. A. Durell and others, for the changing of the grade of Partridge avenue between Milford street and Broadway, and George W. Hatch and others, that said portion of Partridge avenue be graded, reported leave to withdraw;

on the petition of Ellen A. Sullivan and others, that Lowell street from Highland avenue to Albion street be graded and macadamized, reported that the street has received attention by the committee and is in good condition;

on the petition of William Bryant and others, that Webster avenue from the Cambridge line to the Fitchburg Railroad be thoroughly repaired, reported that said portion of Webster avenue has recently been paved with granite blocks and is in thorough repair;

on the petition of Daniel Mulqueeney and others, that the city will grade and put in a crossing on Norfolk street, reported that the street has been graded and put in good condition, and that a crossing has been constructed on Norfolk street at Webster avenue;

on the notice of the Metropolitan Park Commission dated November 15th, of the completion of the work and the removal of the barriers on Middlesex avenue, reported that such notice has been recorded on the committee's records;

on petitions for street crossings from —

H. W. P. Colson, on southwest side of Highland avenue corner Spring Hill Terrace and across Highland avenue at Spring Hill Terrace.

J. Harvey White and others, on Broadway from the northwest corner of Central street to the steps at the terrace.

G. C. Southworth and others, on Boston street at Greenville St. and Charles H. Burbank and others, across Highland avenue at westerly side of Hamlet street, reported that crossings have been constructed as prayed for.

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on an order dated June 15th, for the construction of a driveway in front of the estate of Jeremiah Sullivan, at 30 Prescott street, when he should have deposited with the city treasurer a sum equal to the estimated cost of construction, reported that the deposit has just been made, and the driveway will be constructed at the first opportunity;

on the petition of Lawrence Cotter, for a driveway at 457 Somerville avenue, reported that the petitioner has deposited with the city treasurer a sum equal to the estimated cost, and the superintendent of streets has been instructed to construct the driveway;

on an order for the construction of two driveways for James A. Kiley on Lawrence street, when he should have deposited with the city treasurer a sum equal to the estimated cost, and an order dated November 9th for the repairing of the sidewalk in front of the estate of James H. Hanson, Nos. 320, 320 A and 320 B Pearl street, and the bricking of the space between the sidewalk and the building, when he should have deposited with the city treasurer the sum of $15.00, reported that no action has been taken as neither of the deposits has been made;

on an order dated November 16th, for the building of a fence on the northerly side of Sherman court along the side of the premises of Byron H. Stone, reported that a fence has been constructed as authorized, at a cost of $60.00;

on a notice of hearing by the County Commissioners on the petition of the Fitchburg Railroad Company for permission to make alterations in the existing bridge or to build a new one over its road at Beacon street, and a communication from the City Solicitor, in whose hands the notice was placed, stating that in his judgement the same should be referred to a committee of the city council, reported that the matter has been heard by the county commissioners on three different dates and at the last hearing an amended plan was submitted by the railroad company which was satisfactory to the committee;

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on orders dated March 9th and June 15th, for the purchase and sale of horses, reported that six horses have been purchased during the year at a cost of $810.50, and three have been sold for $100.00;

on an order dated January 26th, authorizing the purchase of field and ledge stone, sand and gravel, as might be required during the year, reported that the sum of $4035.09 has been expended for field and ledge stone, $840.90 for sand and $907.00 for gravel;

on an order dated November 23rd, to consider what action is necessary to define the line and grade of Broadway at its southwesterly side, between Medford street and the stone bound marking the angle in said line at the division line between land now or formerly of Partridge and land now or formerly of Magoun, about sixty feet southeasterly from Jenny Lind avenue, reported that there is some controversy and uncertainty as to the true line of Broadway between Adams street and Magoun square and in the opinion of the committee the entire question should be referred to the City Solicitor for examination with a request that he report at as early a date as practicable what steps should be taken to define the line of Broadway between the points named, and for the removal of any existing encroachments upon the street, and the committee submitted an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 23. Accepted in concurrence.

Order

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:-

Ordered:-

That the City Solicitor be, and he hereby is, requested to report at as early a date as practicable what steps should be taken to define the line of Broadway between Adams street and Magoun square, and for the removal of any existing encroachments upon the street.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 23. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 27, 1898.

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The Committee on Highways.— Reports ✓

on petitions for the laying out or acceptance of streets from—

Luther B. Pillsbury and others, Forster street,

Homer C. Holt and others, South Hyatt street,

Joseph F. Wilson and others, Alpine street from Lowell to Cedar,

Joseph F. Wilson and others, Alpine street from Cedar to New Alpine,

Fannie A. Bradshaw and others, Benton Road from Summer to Highland avenue,

Thomas J. Barker and others, Dimick street,

Edward B. Morgan and others, Lesley avenue from Highland avenue to Lexington avenue,

Walter H. Gleason, Jasper street,

J. A. Lawrence and others, Knowlton street,

Joseph A. Manning and others, Lowell street from Albion to Princeton,

Timothy F. Crimmings and others, Maple street from Poplar to Medford,

Clara S. Day and others, Melvin street from Broadway to Bonair,

Francisco L. Fagundez, Oak street from the angle to the Cambridge line,

Annie L. Fletcher and others, Tennyson street from Medford street to Pembroke,

Martin G. Carr and others, Thorndike street;

on the petition of the West Somerville Board of Trade for immediate action toward the opening of the Thorndike street crossing of the Boston and Maine Railroad, and for the proper caring for the same;

on the petition of James H. Maguire and others, that Partridge avenue, between Medford and Vernon streets, be repaired and put in good condition;

on the petition of John O'Connell and others, that Adrian, Marion, Cook, Hyatt and Taunton streets and Hyatt Place be put in proper condition;

on the petition of Joseph A. White and others, that Hudson street be macadamized from Lowell street to Cedar street;

on the petition of John A. McCarthy and others, that Hanson street be put in

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good condition,

on the petition of the North Packing and Provision Company and others, that South street from Harding street to Yeter street and Yeter street from South street to the Fitchburg Railroad be put in good condition for travel by teams,

on the petition of C. L. Stevens and others, that Davis square, and about one hundred feet in length of each of the several streets radiating therefrom be paved with asphalt paving,

on petitions for street crossings from:-

Alex A. A. Vining and others, at northerly side of Beacon street, corner of Sacramento street, for the benefit of passengers getting off the cars,

Albert A. Bridgham and others, across Highland avenue between Walnut street and Kinal avenue, opposite the path at Central Hill Park, and

John E. Woodside and others, across Highland avenue at Belmont street,

on petitions for driveways from:

A. H. Forbush, Benton avenue and

Carrie B. French, at #56 Adams street,

on the petition of William H. Teele and others, for the re-establishment of the line of Broadway and Curtis street at their intersection, and on the petition of the Estabrook Real Estate Trust and others, that Eliot street be graded and a dirt sidewalk with curbing constructed,

recommended reference to the next City Council

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 23. References concurred in.

Reports

The Committee on City Engineering,-

to which was referred the order dated Oct. 12th, instructing the city engineer to prepare preliminary surveys and estimates of the cost of abolishing all grade crossings (including Thorndike street crossing) on the southerly division of the Boston and Lowell Railroad and to submit surveys and estimates, when prepared, to the City Council, reported in

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expedient to take action under said order the present year;

on an order dated July 13th, for the approval in payroll of Engineering Department, of the sum of $150.50 for the maintenance of the City Engineer's team from July 1st, 1898, reported that the bills have been approved and placed on pay-roll, as authorized by said order;

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 23. Accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Fuel and Street Lights,- Reports ✓

on an order dated November 25th, to consider and report on the feasibility and expediency of placing on the new Helsbach street lights the number of the nearest house, reported an order;

on an order dated September 14th, for the locating of 117 Helsbach street lights as specified in said order, reported that the lights have been located and are now in service;

on the petition of S. J. Bowman and others, for a lamp to light Hinter Hill Circle, reported an order.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 23. Accepted in concurrence.

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows,- Orders ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Highways be and hereby is authorized, and instructed to place street numbers of the nearest house on the lantern of the Helsbach Street Light Company, the expense so incurred to be charged to Miscellaneous account.

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Fuel and Street Lights be and hereby is instructed to place and maintain a Helsbach Street Light in Hinter Hill Circle,- the expense so incurred to be charged to Street Lights account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec 23. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 24, 1898.

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√ Reports

The Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, on petitions for street lights from,—
Fred G. Quimby, electric light on Electric avenue,
Richard T. Snow and others, an electric or gas light on Robinson street,
O. H. Belding and others, an incandescent light on Hudson street opposite No. 62,
Mrs Honora Terry and others, a street light in the vicinity of No. 37 Lowell street,
Mr Carthy Bros. for a light at their coal yard No. 41 Linwood street,
P. Binney and others for Welsbach lights at corner of Tower and Crown streets, and
Margaret A. Simpson, for a street light on Broadway at the corner of Simpson Ave,
recommend reference to the next City Council.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 20. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Order

On motion of Alderman Davlin, it was voted that the order returned by the Mayor with a veto message November 16th, authorizing the locating of eleven Welsbach street lights in sundry places in the city, action on said order having been postponed November 16th, until the next meeting, and the order having been laid on the table November 23rd, be taken from the table.

Reconsidered. Adoption, notwithstanding the objections of the mayor, lost by a yea and nay vote,— Aldermen Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, and Lamont, 4— voting in the affirmative and Aldermen Lapham, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball, 4— in the negative.

√ Report

The Committee on Public Property, on an order dated Nov. 16th, for the re-grading and reodding of such portions of the grounds in front of the Police Building as are now in an unsightly condition, and to construct a concrete driveway at the side of said building leading to the stable, recommended reference of the matter to the next City Council.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 20. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Report

The Committee on Claims,—
on notices of claims from,—
W. B. Nelson for injuries to horse and wagon received in front of No. 376 Somerville avenue,

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A. S. Davenport, injuries to horse and damage to sleigh by being overturned on Broadway, February 3, 1898.

Esther E. Bailey, injuries received by falling on N. Sermon street, Dec. 27, 1894.

Joseph La Farve, injuries by being thrown from hack on Broadway near North street, January 28, 1898.

recommended leave to withdraw;

on notice of claims from,—

Charles E. Davis, for injuries received by falling on Beacon street, November 10, 1896.

Joan G. Garth, for injuries received by falling on Day street, Dec. 21, 1897.

Albert E. Wilkinson, for injuries received on Russell street, November 17, 1896.

reported that said claims have been settled as follows,—

that of Charles E. Davis, on payment of $150.00,

that of Joan G. Garth, on payment of $500.00,

that of Albert E. Wilkinson, on payment of $125.00.

on the notice of Patrick Flynn of claim for injuries received by the caving of the bank of a water trench on Concord avenue, May 28, 1897, reported that the claim has been disposed of by a verdict of a jury in favor of the city.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 23. Accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Claims,— Reports ✓

on notices of claims for damage on account of injuries received or damage sustained from,—

Samuel E. Armstrong, injuries by being thrown from bicycle on Church street, October 6, 1898.

Harvey Giles, injuries by being thrown from bicycle into a trench on Broadway, April 27, 1898.

Edith L. Bryant, injuries by falling on Union street, April 26, 1898.

Annie Clancy, injuries by falling on Broadway, August 14, 1898.

Ellen E. Duggan, injuries by stepping into man-hole in Sacramento street subway, April 24, 1898.

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Mary A. Hurley, injuries by falling on Bow street, November 11, 1898,
Josephine M. Place, injuries by falling in excavation for subway at Sacramento street, October 16, 1897,
Abigail Snow, injuries by falling on Summer street, September 6, 1898,
Mary Pudrow, injuries from burns caused by ignition of sewer gas in house #57 Webster avenue, July 23, 1898,
Michael Martell, damage to house #57 and #57 A Webster avenue, by explosion and ignition of sewer gas, July 23, 1898,
Rachel B. Mahoney, injuries by falling on Lowell street, November 20, 1897,
Ann Tarlton, injuries by falling on Somerville avenue, February 7, 1898,
Mr. Bibby, injuries by falling on Summer street, January 16, 1898,
Bridget Conner, injuries by falling on Dane street, February 6, 1896,
S. H. Gage, injuries by falling on Chester street, December 11, 1895,
Mitchell C. Doherty, injuries by falling on Washington street, November 5, 1895,
Sidney C. Shea and Charles L. Kiley, injury to horse on Medford street, June 13, 1897,
Isaac L. Rich, damage of estate #50 Rush street, by erection of the Sanford Hanscom schoolhouse,
H. F. Atwell, damage in consequence of frightening of horse by Steam Road Roller, August 4, 1897,
Samantha A. Keef, injuries received on Bow street, August 16, 1896,
Rose Anna Morrison, injuries by falling on Cameron avenue, March 9, 1896,
Ida M. Wiley, injuries by being thrown from wagon on Flint street, April 16, 1896,
Harry B. Wiley, injuries to wife and damage to wagon caused by obstructions in Flint street, April 16, 1896,
Louis Edgecomb, bodily and mental injuries received on Washington street, November 5, 1894,
Margaret E. Quirk, injuries by falling on Broadway, July 23, 1897 and
Harrison G. Macomber, injuries received and damage by killing of horse and injuring of wagon and harness by driving into a trench on Broadway, November 6, 1898,

recommended reference to the next city council.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 23. Reference concurred in.

√ Report

Received from the Common Council the report of the joint

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special committee appointed by our order dated February 16, 1898, to confer with the officials of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company, in relation to the erection of a bridge over the location of the tracks of said company at Lowell street, reported as follows, -

The committee met at Lowell street and were most favorably impressed with the necessity of a bridge at that point. We then interviewed the Asst. General Manager, Mr Carr, and after laying before him the great need of a bridge at that part of our city, he promised to give the matter careful consideration and report back to us at an early date. After waiting a long time we received the following communication from Asst. General Manager Frank Carr: - "Since the call of special committee from your city council in regard to Lowell street Bridge matter, we have thoroughly investigated as well as carefully considered the subject and the only conclusion to be reached is that there is no obligation whatever resting upon us to provide the bridge, as requested, and we therefore decline to do so."

In view of the foregoing communication the committee desire to keep this matter before the city council that this great need for the convenience of our citizens shall be accomplished. In order to do this the committee recommend that the city solicitor be requested to carefully look into the matter and ascertain what rights the City of Somerville has in the premises.

In Common Council, Dec. 23. Accepted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, Dec. 23. Accepted in concurrence.

Alderman Lamont offered the following order. — Order ✓

Ordered: -

That the City Solicitor be, and he hereby is, requested to ascertain what rights the City of Somerville may have with reference to a bridge over the tracks of the Boston and Maine Railroad at Lowell street, and report his findings to the city council at an early date.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 23, Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 24, 1898.

The ordinance passed to be enrolled in this board and sent to the common council Dec. 14, 1898, being ordinance No. 79, entitled "An — Ordinance ✓

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Ordinance in Relation to the Projections of Coverings over Public Ways and Squares, and recorded on page 495 of the Book of Enrolled Ordinances in the City Clerk's office, was received back from the common council, endorsed as follows:-

In Common Council, Dec. 14, 1898. Read twice and passed to be enrolled in concurrence. Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

Somerville, Dec. 14th. Enrolled. Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

In Committee on Enrolled Ordinances of the Common Council, December 23rd, 1898.

The said committee, having examined the within ordinance, finds that it is truly and correctly enrolled, and so reports.

Arthur G. Berry. Arthur P. Kimal. Paul J. Smith, Committee.

In Common Council, Dec. 23, 1898. Passed to be ordained. Francis A. Gilson, President. Attest. Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

Further action was taken as follows:-

In Committee on Enrolled Ordinances of the Board of Aldermen, Dec. 23, 1898.

The said committee, having examined the within ordinance, finds that it is truly and correctly enrolled, and so reports.

Frederick A. Kilmer. L. Herbert Huntley. John A. Ball, Committee.

In Board of Aldermen, Dec. 23, 1898. Passed to be ordained. Albion A. Perry, Mayor.

Attest. George I. Vincent, Clerk.

Dec. 27, 1898. Approved. Albion A. Perry, Mayor.

√ Order

Received from the Common Council the following order:-

Ordered:-

That a message be sent to the Board of Aldermen requesting a convention of the two branches of the City Council in the Common Council Chamber this evening, for the purpose of considering, informally, the report of the joint special committee on the revision of the city charter.

In Common Council, Dec. 23. Adopted and Councilman Burns appointed to convey the request to the Board of Aldermen.

In Board of Aldermen, Dec. 23. Request granted and Alderman Lapham appointed a messenger to convey the information to the Common Council.

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In Convention of the City Council.

Convention

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Talbot, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball, President Wilson and Councilmen Osborne, Kenney, Smith, Cushman, Hammond, Burns, Geary, Gordon, Berry, Lind and Foster present.

In pursuance of an order passed this morning, the convention was recalled for the informal consideration of a report presented in the Common Council of the joint special committee on Charter Revision, submitting a draft of a new charter.

City Charter

Voted that the convention adjourn to meet in the same place Tuesday evening December 27, at 7 o'clock.

In Board of Aldermen.

Board of Aldermen

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Talbot, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.

On motion of Alderman Huntley, it was voted that when the board adjourns, it adjourn to meet Tuesday evening, December 27, at 7 o'clock.

Adjournment

Adjourned.

Attest,
George S. Vincent
Clerk.

Adjourned Convention of the City Council,
Common Council Chamber, City Hall
Somerville, December 27, 1898.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball, President Wilson, and Councilmen Kenney, Smith, Cushman, Grimmons, Burns, Gracey, Crocker, Berry, Lord, Vinal and Foster present.

City Charter

The consideration of the draft of a proposed city charter submitted by the joint special committee appointed to consider the subject, begun on the evening of December 23d, was resumed.

Amendments were acted upon favorably as follows:-

In section six, making the last clause read thus:- The person upon whom such duties shall devolve shall be styled "acting Mayor" and shall possess all the powers of mayor except that he shall have no power to make any permanent appointments.

In section twelve, making the second paragraph read as follows:- He shall, except as provided in section four, have the sole power to sign, seal, execute, etc.-

It was voted as the sense of the convention that the first twelve sections of the draft, amended as above stated, be adopted.

Sections thirteen and fourteen were laid on the table.

Voted to adjourn until Wednesday evening, December 28.

Adjourned.

Attest.

George S. Vincent
Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Somerville, Dec. 27, 1898, 11 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer and Ball

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present.

Adjourned,

Attest,

George S. Vincent
Clerk

Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Somerville, Dec. 28, 1898 - 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings & Ball present.
Records approved.

√ Report

Received from the Common Council the report of the joint special committee appointed by an order dated June 9, 1898, to consider the subject of the city charter, and which was authorized by an order, dated November 9th, 1898, to prepare and present to the city council a new draft of a charter, submitting such draft. Aldermen Kilmer and Davlin of the Committee dissented from the report in so far as it provides for a legislative department to consist of two boards and recommended that the legislative department of the government consist of a single board. Alderman Kilmer also recommended that provision be made in the charter for a commissioner or commissioners of public works.

In Common Council, Dec. 23. Report received. Read and sent up for information.

In Board of Aldermen, Dec. 28. Report received.

√ Recommendation

Received a recommendation from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department that, as Henry F. Buckman has served as a permanent member of the Fire Department for the probationary term of six months, his appointment be made permanent under the ordinances of the city and the Civil Service rules.

Appointment made permanent by the Mayor as recommended, and the Mayor's action confirmed by the by the board of aldermen under a suspension of the rules.

√ Report

Received the report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department for the month of November.

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Read for information.

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Received a notice from Ruth A. Brick of personal injuries received Sunday, December 18, 1898, by falling on the sidewalk on the right hand side of Washington street, going toward Union square and in front of the house of George Haven, numbered 151 Washington street, in consequence of an accumulation of snow and ice on that sidewalk, which caused the same to become slippery and dangerous to walk upon, and caused her to slip and fall, she claiming that said sidewalk was defectively constructed, causing the ice to accumulate and remain thereon. — Notice. ✓

Referred to next city council and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 28 Reference concurred in.

Received, notice to appear before the Justice of the Police Court of Somerville at the session of said court to be held Saturday, January 28, 1899, at nine o'clock in the forenoon and answer unto J. Frank Neal of Meredith, N.H., in an action of contract, to the damage of said Neal, as he says, the sum of one hundred dollars. (Served on the City Clerk - December 24, 1898.) — Notice. ✓

Placed in hands of City Solicitor and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Placed in hands of City Solicitor in concurrence.

The Committee on Licenses, — Reports. ✓

on the petition of George A. Kelly for a license as an auctioneer, reported an order;

on petitions for licenses to cry their goods in the streets from James Mullen and James McCue, both of Somerville, reported an order;

on the petition of Charles A. Emerson, for a license as a common victualler at #447 Somerville avenue, reported an order.

Accepted.

The orders accompanying the foregoing reports are as follows, — Orders. ✓

Ordered:—

That a license as an Auctioneer, under the laws of the Commonwealth, for the term of one year from the first day of May, 1899, be issued to the following-named person, when the city clerk shall have received, for the use of the city, the sum of two dollars for such

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licence; provided that no charge for such licence shall be made to any soldier or sailor who served in the army or navy during the war of the rebellion, and received an honorable discharge from such service.

George H. Welch.

Ordered:-

That a licence be issued to the following-named persons to sell garlic in the streets of the city, as hereinafter stated, under the provisions of law and ordinance relating to such licence; such licence to expire on the first day of May next, unless sooner revoked.

Name, etc.	
James Mellen,	24 South Hyatt street.
James McGue,	24 South street.

Ordered:-

That a licence as a Common Victualler, under the laws of the Commonwealth, be and is hereby granted to the following-named party, at the place of business hereinafter specified, said licence to be issued when signed by the mayor and a majority of the members of this board, and to remain in force until the thirtieth of April next, unless sooner revoked.

Name of Party.	Place of Business.
Charles H. Emerson	447 Somerville avenue.

Adopted.

✓ Report

The joint special committee appointed under an order dated June 22nd, to take all proper means of opposing the granting by the Board of Police of the City of Boston, of all licence other than the sixth class for the sale of intoxicating liquors in that part of Boston lying between the Boston & Maine Railroad and the Somerville Line, reported that the committee waited upon the Boston Board of Police in reference to the matter, and was assured by that board that if any petitions were presented for such licences to sell liquor in the district referred to, the committee would be notified.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Accepted in concurrence.

✓ Report

The Committee on Police, on an order dated April 13th, authorizing the disposal of the horse then in use in the department and the purchase of a new one, accompanied reference to the next city council.

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Accepted and sent down for concurrence.
In Common Council, Dec 25. Accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on State Aid, on an order dated July 15, authorizing the approval in pay-roll of all sums of money to be expended as state aid under the provisions of Chapter 561 of the Acts of 1895, which has reference to soldiers and the families of soldiers serving in the army of the United States during the war with Spain, and under the rules, etc. applying under Chapter 301 of Acts of 1894, reported that the sum of $1012.00 has been approved in pay-roll as authorized by said order. — Report ✓

Accepted.

The Committee on Special Building Permits, — Reports ✓

on the petition of John T. Tobin for permission to place an incandescent light over the sidewalk, about 4 feet out from the building, in front of store 387 Somerville avenue.

on the petition of the Boston Elevated Railway Company for a license to lay six lines in the basement of the car house on the southerly side of Washington street, between Prospect street and Mystic street, recommended reference to the next board of aldermen.

Accepted.

Alderman Lamont offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered: —

That the sum of one hundred twenty-four and 79/100 dollars, from an assessment of eighty and 50/100 dollars, assessed to George Russell and William A. Gaw, Trustees, as a benefit accruing to their estate situated on the northerly side of Broadway between North street and other lands of said Trustees, with a frontage of 691 feet and an area of 69000 feet, by the construction of a common sewer in Broadway, from the Metropolitan sewer near Alewife brook, to a point about 70 feet southeasterly from Keating avenue, be, and the said sum is hereby abated.

Adopted.

The Committee on Sewers, — Reports ✓

on an order dated April 27, reported the construction of a common sewer in

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London Place from Lowden avenue easterly about 125 feet, at the expense of the petitioner for said sewer, Joseph P. Rice,

on an order dated June 8, reported the construction of a sewer in the roadway of the Bute Farm, from Leder street southerly about 300 feet, at the expense of the Somerville Water Department;

on the petition of Harrison H. O. Brown, for permission to extend a drain on his land to connect with house to be built in rear of 226, 228, 232 and 234 Elm street, reported that the drain has been extended by the petitioner, at his own expense, under the supervision of the city;

on an order dated Oct. 27, 1897, to consider the matter of providing an adequate system of sewers for surface water and house drainage in those sections of the city not adequately provided for, and to confer with the officials of the Boston and Maine Railroad with a view to ascertaining in what manner, and to what extent said company will co-operate with the city in constructing and contributing to the cost of such system, inso-far as said railroad might be specially affected and benefited thereby, reported that plans for such system of sewers have been prepared and a large amount of construction has been completed this season, but after a number of conferences with the officials of the Boston and Maine Railroad in relation to the drainage of the location of its system and the adjacent territory, no satisfactory arrangements have as yet been made;

on the communication from Paul Parow Water, in reference to the bad condition of drainage at the corner of Lawrence and Summer streets, reported that the condition has been improved by the construction of a catch-basin at the corner of Lawrence and Summer streets;

on orders dated respectively October 12 and October 19, reported that sewers have been constructed as follows:-

in Thompson street from the end of the sewer constructed therein in 1894, south of Medford street southwesterly 154.6 feet of 10 inch pipe sewer with 5.1 cubic yards of rock excavation and one manhole at a cost of $142.58, by contract

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with Charles A. Kelley;
in Jenny Lind avenue, from the sewer in Vernon street northwesterly, 650.7 feet of 10-inch, and 167.3 feet of 8-inch pipe sewer, with 14.65 cubic yards of rock excavation and 3 manholes, by contract with Charles A. Kelley, at a cost of $1052.55;
and submitted lists of assessments upon estates benefited;
on orders, dated, respectively, August 10, Sept. 6 and 21, Oct. 12 and 19, November 9 and 16, reported the construction of sewers as follows:-
in Curtis street, between Connell and Electric avenues, by contract with Daniel A. Dorey;
in Raymond avenue from Curtis street northwesterly about 150 feet, by contract with Daniel A. Dorey;
in Somerville avenue, from the Metropolitan sewer at Poplar street to Prospect street, by contracts with T. F. Cummings and C. E. Trumbull and Company;
in North street and Raymond avenue, from the division line on North street between the premises of the estate of Levi Russell and the premises of Rufus Russell Cary, Stearns and Hatch, northerly to Raymond avenue and in Raymond avenue northerly to a point about 150 feet northerly from Curtis street, by contract with David A. Dorey;
in lands of the estate of Levi Russell, between the manhole in the Metropolitan sewer near Alewife Brook and the manhole in the sewer in North street, a distance of about 440 feet, by contract with Richard Falvey;
in land of the estate of Levi Russell, from Alewife Brook to a point about 100 feet southerly from the manhole in the Metropolitan sewer, there connecting with an underdrain extending in said land of the estate of said Russell from the last mentioned point to North street, by contract with Richard Falvey;
in Packard avenue and Private Lands, from the manhole at Electric avenue northerly about 400 feet to a proposed boulevard, and thence westerly across private

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lands to a manhole in Curtis street, by contract with Timothy F. Cummings,

on orders dated, respectively, April 13, 20 and 27, May 11, June 22, and July 13 and 20, reported that storm water drains and sewers have been constructed as follows:—

in Broadway and Sargent avenue, from the northeasterly side of Broadway at Linthrop avenue, thence on the southwesterly side of Broadway and in Sargent avenue to the easterly line of Sherman Court, by contract with Richard Falvey,

in Broadway and Cross street, from the northeasterly side of Broadway at Linthrop avenue, thence in the northeasterly side of Broadway and the southeasterly side of Cross street to Pearl street, by contract with T. H. Payne,

in Sherman Court, Marshall street, Gilman square and Medford street, from the westerly line of Sargent avenue through Sherman Court, westerly side of Marshall street, Gilman square, and the southwesterly side of Medford street to School street, by contract with C. E. Trumbull and Company,

in Union square and Bow and Summer streets, from the sewer built in 1875 on the southwesterly side of Union square to School street, by contract with C. E. Trumbull and Company, and

in Day street from the Tannery Brook Storm Drain in Davis square southwesterly about 350 feet, by contract with C. E. Trumbull and Company;

on petitions for the construction of catch basins from,— The American Tube Works, in Frost avenue; Elizabeth Glover and others, one at corner of Kingston and Macham streets; Jane E. Hassett and others, one on Merrison street; George Heintz and others, one at corner of Benton avenue and Hudson street; Frederick M. Kilmer, one at corner of Broadway and Adams street; Luke Kilroy and others, one in Dane avenue; Duncan A. McLean and others, one at corner of Highland avenue and Lowell street; Alexander Munroe and others, one on the southe-

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ly side of Newton street; Isabel Sidway, one on the northeasterly side of Thorpe Place; Abby P. Simpson and Henry F. Sander, one at the corner of Broadway and Paulina street; Margaret A. Simpson, one on Broadway at the westerly side of Simpson avenue; John Stofflet and others, one on Tyler street at Tower Court; John Stofflet and others, one on Tyler street at foot of Tyler Court, reported that catch-basins have been constructed as prayed for;

on the petition of James F. Dolliver and others, for a catch-basin at the corner of Lasley avenue and Highland avenue, reported that a catch-basin has been constructed at the northeasterly corner of Highland avenue and Willow avenue, instead of in the location named in the petition;

on the petition of James F. McNamara and others, for two catch-basins in Skelton street, reported that one catch-basin had been constructed in said street;

on the petitions of John G. McKinnon and others, for the proper drainage of the lands between the Central Fire Station and the bridge over the Lowell Railroad on Medford street near Gilman square, and William Lears and others, for a sewer in Main street from the Medford line to Fremont street, reported leave to withdraw;

on the petitions of Franklin F. Phillips and others, for a catch-basin at the corner of Day and Herbert streets and Abby P. Simpson, for two catch-basins in Paulina street, reported leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

The lists of assessments submitted with the foregoing report, with warrants and orders for their collection, for common sewers in

Jenny Lind Avenue,

and

Tennyson street,

are recorded, respectively, on pages 333 to 336 and 337 to 340 of volume 2 of the Records of Sewer Assessments, of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

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Adopted.

√ Report

The Committee on Sewers,-
on petitions for catch-basins from.-
T. H. Greene, one on Cottage avenue opposite Cottage Circle,
Dennis A. Daily, one at the corner on Hammond and Dickinson streets,
William K. Fletcher, two on Tennyson street, south of Medford street,
J. G. Hayward and others, one on Windsor street,
J. A. McCarthy and others, one at the northeast corner of Washington and Hammond,
Fred G. Lumsby, four on Electric avenue,-
Margaret A. Simpson, one at the corner of Holland street and Simpson avenue, and
D. C. Stillson, one at the corner of Tennyson and Foster streets,
recommended reference to the next board of aldermen.

Accepted.

√ Report

The Committee on Sewers, on the petitions of William Armstrong and others for the improvement of the sewerage system between Spring and Belmont streets, and John Higgins for the construction of a sewer in Warwick street place, recommended reference to the next board of aldermen.

Accepted.

√ Reports

The Committee on Sewers,-
on an order dated October 19th, for the transfer of the property of the city in the possession of the sewer department from the premises then occupied by the department on Joy street to those recently vacated by the water department at the southerly corner of Somerville avenue and Prospect street, reported that such transfer has been made
on an order dated April 25, authorizing the committee to take such action as it shall deem advisable in relation to the suit and other matters pending between the city and the A. W. Bryne Construction Company, recommended reference to the next board of aldermen;

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Accepted in concurrence.

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Alderman Lamont offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Sewers be, and it hereby is, authorized to approve in behalf of Sewers, Construction, a bill in favor of John Byrne for the sum of four hundred fifty dollars ($450.00), being for payment in full of all claims for damage on account of the construction of the storm water drain and sewer in the Tannery Brook district.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec 25. Laid on the table. In Common Council, Dec. 26. Taken from the table, received its second reading and adoption in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 29, 1895.

The Committee on Electric Lines, on the petition of the Somerville Electric Light Company for permission to attach cross arms to the city pole on Chester street, reported recommending that the petition be referred to the next board of aldermen. Report ✓

Accepted.

The Committee on Highways,- Reports ✓

on the petition of Charles H. Perry, for permission to move a wooden building through Curtis & Beacon streets, reported an order;

on the petition of the Somerville Electric Light Company for permission to remove one pole at the corner of Pearl & Glen streets, reported an order.

Accepted.

The orders, accompanying the foregoing reports, with an additional order offered by Alderman Lapham, are as follows:- Orders ✓

Order granting permission to Charles H. Perry to move a wooden building from Curtis street, a private way, through Beacon street, as recorded on page 526 of volume 1 of the Records of Poles & Wires, Street Railways and Moving Buildings, of the Mayor & Aldermen of the City of Somerville.

Ordered.-

That permission be, and it hereby is, granted to the Somer-

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ville Electric Light Company to remove one pole standing on the northwesterly corner of Pearl & Glen streets, the location of said pole to be abandoned and revoked immediately upon the removal thereof, and the street, after such removal, to be left in a condition satisfactory to the superintendent of streets.

Ordered:-

That the plans made by the city engineers for the different years, and laid before this board this evening, for the numbering of certain streets or ways, namely:- Plan of

Bartlett street, by Ernest W. Bailey, March 21, 1898.
Powers avenue, by Ernest W. Bailey, May 27, 1898.
Cedar avenue, by Horace L. Eaton, April 1, 1890.
Gilson Terrace, by Ernest W. Bailey, July 26, 1897.
Glendale avenue, by Ernest W. Bailey, April 5, 1897.
Greenwood Terrace, by Ernest W. Bailey, October 7, 1898.
Jaques street, by George A. Kimball, February 12, 1884.
Linden Circle, by Ernest W. Bailey, July 7, 1898.
Lowell Terrace, by Ernest W. Bailey, November 17, 1897.
Mossland street, by George A. Kimball, November 1, 1876.
Museum street, by Ernest W. Bailey, March 18, 1896.
Pearl street, (Cross street to Gilman square), by George A. Kimball, March 18, 1887.
Princeton street, by Ernest W. Bailey, September 28, 1896.
School street, (Highland avenue to Medford street), by Horace L. Eaton, January 14, 1889.
Seven Pines avenue, by Ernest W. Bailey, November 1, 1896.
Tufts avenue, by Ernest W. Bailey, January 1, 1898.
Victoria street, by Ernest W. Bailey, December 14, 1897.
Waterhouse street, by Ernest W. Bailey, August 1, 1897.
Westminster street, by Ernest W. Bailey, July 16, 1897.
Windsor Road, by Ernest W. Bailey, September 17, 1898.

be and they hereby are adopted, and the numbers therein are hereby designated as the proper numbers to be affixed to the several buildings on said streets or ways, respectively, and the city engineer is hereby directed to inform the several owners of said buildings what are the proper numbers to be affixed thereto in accordance with said plans and in accordance with section five of Chapter fifteen of the Revised Ordinances of 1891.

Adopted.

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The Committee on Highways, on the petition of the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company, for locations for pipes in Washington, Prospect, Houghton and Springfield streets, reported an order

Accepted.

Report ✓

The order accompanying the foregoing report is as follows:—

Ordered,— Upon its petition dated November 20th 1895 the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company, hereinafter called "the Company" subject to the conditions, regulations and restrictions hereinafter set forth so far as the same are not inconsistent with or forbidden by Chapter 537 of the Acts of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the year 1896, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company" and subject to the provisions of said chapter the company is hereby authorized subject to such modifications as may hereafter be made by this board, to lay, construct, maintain and operate solely for its own use two lines of pipe, not exceeding 36 inches in diameter in, along, through, under and across the following named streets, highways and lands but only so far as this board has lawful power so to authorize, the same being deemed a proper location by this board, in accordance with a certain plan on file in the office of the city engineer of the City of Somerville entitled Location of Gas Mains of M. P. L. Gas Co. and dated December 25, 1895, and signed by Louis J. Hirt, Chief Engineer of said Company; said location being described and shown on said plan as follows:

Commencing on Washington street at the boundary line between the City of Somerville and the City of Boston, marked "Charlestown Line" on said plan, thence along said Washington street in said City of Somerville to Prospect street on the southerly side of said Washington street: thence along said Prospect street on the southwesterly side of said Prospect street to the boundary line between the City of Somerville and the City of Cambridge, said boundary line being near the junction of Houghton street and said Prospect street; thence from the intersection of said boundary line with said Houghton street along said Houghton street to Springfield street on the southerly side of said Houghton street (it being understood that that portion of said Houghton street situated between said boundary line and Oak street is a private way) thence along said Springfield street to the boundary line between the City of Cambridge and the City of Somerville on the south-

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easterly side of said Springfield street; all as shown on said plan.

1. The authority herein granted is to be accepted and exercised subject to all the provisions of said chapter 507 and of all other laws relating thereto and to all the existing and future ordinances of the City of Somerville and all existing and future orders of this board.

2. All openings, obstructions and use of any and all streets made or required in the prosecution of any part of the work authorized by this order shall be in accordance and compliance with the ordinances of the city now and hereafter in force in relation thereto.

3. The time, manner and place of opening the ground in said location, for the laying, construction, maintenance, operation or repair of any portion of said pipe line, and manholes and other apparatus, machinery and works connected therewith, shall be subject to the approval first obtained of the Superintendent of Streets of the City of Somerville and the streets, highways and lanes in all cases shall be left by the company, without delay, in as good repair as when opened, and to his satisfaction. The length of time they may remain open shall be subject to his approval.

4. All work in the laying and construction of pipe lines under the authority herein granted may be begun at once subject to the provisions of this order and shall be completed on or before January 1, 1900, and, unless so completed, all rights and authority of the company under this order shall thereupon cease and become null and void.

5. The company shall construct said pipe lines in a manner satisfactory to the Mayor, the Superintendent of Streets, and the City Engineer.

6. The company agrees so far as feasible to employ as workmen none but residents of Somerville in laying, constructing and repairing said pipe lines, except only when skilled workmen are required.

7. At all times when said pipe lines, manholes and other apparatus and machinery connected therewith, are being constructed or repaired in any highway, a roadway for travellers on foot and for horses and wagons shall be kept open for public travel and in good condition by the company and at least one electric railway surface track, if there be any in such highway, and at no time shall any intersecting highway be obstructed in such a manner as to prevent the passage of fire apparatus along the same.

8. In the construction, maintenance and repair of said pipe lines, manholes and other apparatus and machinery connected therewith, all

water pipes and hydrant connections disturbed or interfered with, shall be maintained by the company in proper condition for uninterrupted use and, if necessary, shall be restored, replaced or changed in location by it, all to the satisfaction of the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of Somerville, and all gas pipes, sewers, drains, conduits, and all other subterranean works, disturbed or interfered with, shall be maintained by the company in proper condition for uninterrupted use and, if necessary, shall be restored, replaced or changed in location and constructed anew by the company, all to the satisfaction of the City Engineer of the City of Somerville.

9. All poles in said highways used for carrying electric wires shall be kept in position by said company safe and uninjured to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Electric Lines and Lights of said city; all trees therein shall be protected to the satisfaction of said Superintendent of Streets.

10. In the construction and repair of said pipe lines, manholes and other apparatus and machinery connected therewith, the company shall take all proper sanitary precautions to the satisfaction of the Board of Health of said city.

11. In case of fire, the company shall reimburse the city for all loss and damage due to lack of water supply or obstruction to fire apparatus caused by any act or default of the company, its servants or agents, in cutting off the supply of water or obstructing streets.

12. The city may employ persons to inspect the manner in which the company complies with the terms of this order, and the company agrees to permit such inspection and to pay the city the expense thereof.

13. All earth, stone and other material excavated in laying said pipe lines, except that portion thereof replaced in the ground, shall be taken away and deposited by the company in such place within the city as said Superintendent of Streets may from time to time direct, and in default of such direction, into Hyatt's Pit, so called, in Lincoln Park.

14. If the company fails to perform any of the terms required of it in this order, the city may perform the same and collect the expense thereof from the company.

15. The company shall indemnify and save harmless the city against all damages, claims, expenses and losses whatsoever, arising out of any

acts or omissions of the company, its officers, servants or agents or other persons or corporations acting for or under the company, its officers, servants or agents, purporting to be in the exercise of the rights granted by this order and against all damages, claims, expenses and losses whatsoever arising in any other way whatsoever out of the laying, construction, maintenance, operation or repair of said pipe lines, mains and other apparatus, machinery and works connected therewith, or arising in any other way whatsoever out of the presence or passage of gas or other substance therein or therefrom.

16. The company, before acquiring any rights under this order, shall file with the city clerk an agreement to perform all the terms and requirements of the law and of this order, such agreement to be, also in other respects satisfactory to the city solicitor.

Adopted.

√ Report. The Committee on Highways, on an order dated December 23, 1895, to place the street number of the nearest house on each of the lanterns of the Helebuh Street Lighting Company, in our streets, reported that the superintendent of streets has been instructed to place the numbers on the lanterns when the said company will assent thereto.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 23. Accepted in concurrence.

√ Reports. The Committee on Public Grounds:

on an order dated November 16th, to keep the city's land on Elm street, known as the old Lincoln school lot, flooded for skating, reported that the committee has taken no action under said order owing to insufficient time to put the grounds in proper condition and to a lack of funds.

√ on the petition of Henry L. Orcutt and others that a board track be made in Lincoln Park for the use of the Somerville High School Football Team, and that the team be given the use of a small building, reported that the field is not in proper condition to construct such a track, and no building has as yet been erected on the grounds, but the proposed laying out of the field will include, when completed, all that is petitioned for.

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on the communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated January 12, in reference to a park on Prospect Hill, reported that legislation has been secured, and part of the land has been purchased for the sum of twenty thousand dollars and the taxes of 1897, and the remainder can be purchased or taken under the act at any time within three years from its passage;

on an order, dated November 16th, authorizing said committee to represent the city council at all hearings and meetings which might be held to consider the question of a boulevard to extend through Everett and Chelsea to the Revere Beach Reservation, reported that the committee has attended two meetings with the representatives of the city governments of Chelsea and Everett, and the matter has been referred to a special committee of representatives of the three cities to confer with the Metropolitan Park Commission;

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Accepted in concurrence.

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on orders dated, respectively, May 12 and 18, relative to the removal and disposal of the iron fence and granite posts surrounding the Broadway park, and an order dated December 14 authorizing said committee to remove said fence and posts and to store or sell the same, as in their judgment may be best, recommend reference to the next city council;

on the communication from Blaney and Robinson, in behalf of L. S. Dow, saying he will contribute his land for a boulevard from Powder House Park to the Pumping Station, with certain provisions, recommended reference to the next city council.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Accepted in concurrence.

Received the following report from the Committee on Public Grounds:- Report ✓

To the City Council of Somerville,-

Wednesday, December 25, 1895.

The Committee on Public Grounds, to which was referred the matter of improving the banks of the Mystic River from the Mystic Lake Boulevard to the Fellington Bridge, begs to report:- that they have had a conference with the Park Commissioners of the City of Medford, and that a sub-committee chosen from your committee on public grounds has by request of the Metropolitan Park Commission, and with the assistance of our city engineer made plans of the proposed route giving names of abutters, amount of land to be taken from each, and proposed valuation of the same. These plans and reports were submitted to the Metropolitan Park Commission, who reported them satisfactory, and the committee was informed that the matter would receive their earliest attention.

At a conference of your committee with the Park Commission of Medford held Dec. 24th. we were in receipt of a communication from the Metropolitan Park Commission informing us that they were only waiting for an appropriation of $50,000 from the City of Medford, as had been agreed upon. As soon as this appropriation was made they would commence operations. The order for the appropriation of the $50,000. by the City of Medford has already been formally acted upon by one branch of the City Council and we are informed that the other branch will without doubt concur at the next meeting.

Your committee are unanimous in the belief that if the cities of Medford and Somerville use their best influence this improvement of the banks of the Mystic River will be a matter of the near future.

The term of office of your present public grounds committee being now about to close, they recommend the matter be referred to the next city council.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 25. Accepted in concurrence.

Report

The Committee on Legislative Matters, on the report of the joint special committee for the year 1891, upon the matter of a re-adjustment of the boundary line between Somerville and Cambridge, reported that several meetings were held with the committee of the city government of Cambridge and a satisfactory line was agreed upon by the committees from the two cities, but the matter failed of approval by the City Council of Cambridge, and the committee reported that, in its judgment, no other

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action was necessary.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Fuel and Street Lights, on an order dated December 23rd, on the placing of a Welsbach light in Winter Hill Circle, reported that the Welsbach Street Lighting Company has been notified to place a light in that location as instructed by the order. — Report ✓

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Accepted in concurrence.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order:- — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Committee on Accounts be, and it hereby is authorized to approve in Pay Roll of Miscellaneous a bill in favor of Margaret E. Quirk for the sum of two hundred seventy-six and 59/100 dollars ($276.59), being payment in full of all claims for injuries received by falling on Broadway on July 23, 1897.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

(see subsequent record.)

Alderman Kilmer offered the following order:- — Order ✓

Ordered:-

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Ordered:-

That for the purpose of providing for the payment of the current expenses of the city, a temporary loan in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year be procured and the City Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow, from time to time, a sum or sums in the aggregate amounting to one hundred thousand dollars and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the city therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made, with interest thereon. The said debt or debts, incurred by a loan or loans to the city under this order, are to be paid from the paid taxes of the present municipal year.

Received its first reading, and, under a suspension of the rules, its second reading and final passage by unanimous yea and nay vote. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Received its first reading and, under a suspension of the rules, its second reading and final passage by unanimous yea and nay vote, in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 30, 1898.

Reports

The Committee on Ordinances,-

on the draft of ordinance, with a report thereon recommitted December 14, in relation to Fire Districts, recommend reference to the next city council.

on an order dated November 25th, requesting the committee to consider the desirability of amending Section 13 of Chapter 4 of the Revised Ordinances of 1891, so as to provide that no proposals shall be considered that are received after the limit of time specified in the solicitation for proposals and to consider what further amendment, if any, is desirable in said section of ordinance, recommended reference to the next city council.

Accepted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Accepted in concurrence.

Order

Alderman Turbyfill offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That, in pursuance of Section three of Chapter one of

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the Revised Ordinances of 1891, the city clerk be, and he hereby is, directed to cause publication of Ordinance No. 79, entitled, - "An ordinance in relation to the projection of coverings over public ways and squares," to be made in one issue of the Somerville Citizen; the expense incurred to be charged to Printing and Stationery account.

Read twice and adopted. Sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Read twice and adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 29, 1895.

Alderman Lamont offered the following order, - Order ✓

Ordered: -

That the several committees of the board of aldermen and of the city council which have annual reports to make, be, and they hereby are, authorized to file such reports with the city clerk for presentation to the next city council to be printed with the annual reports of the present year.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 29, 1895.

Alderman Cummings offered the following order, - Order ✓

Ordered: -

That all unfinished business of the present city council or of either branch thereof, be, and it hereby is, referred to the next city council or to the branch thereof to which it properly belongs.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Adopted, in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 29, 1895.

Alderman Huntley offered the following resolutions, - Resolutions ✓ complimentary to Mayor

City of Somerville

In Board of Aldermen,

December 28, 1895.

Whereas the Honorable Albion A. Perry is about to vacate the office of Mayor of this city, after filling the same with marked ability

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three successive years, – therefore

Resolved: that we tender him a vote of thanks for the very dignified and courteous manner in which he has presided at the meetings of this board during the current year.

Entering upon the office after one of the most spirited campaigns in the history of our city, and in company with a city council a majority of whose members had not supported his candidacy, – expressing himself freely and in unmistakable language on all public questions, – exercising the veto power to a much greater extent than did any of his predecessors, – he has at the same time maintained throughout his administration the most cordial and friendly relations with his official associates, unmarred by a single discourteous word or unpleasant incident.

On constant demand as a public speaker and the official head of a prosperous city to grace social gatherings, to deliver lectures and to address meetings assembled for the discussion of questions of public interest, he has on all such occasions won credit to himself and reflected lasting honor upon the city.

It is to be regretted that ill health – temporary, as it has happily proved – prevented his consideration of a renomination, as it was the universal desire of the people of Somerville that he should continue in the office which he has so acceptably filled, for a still longer period.

Resolved: – that as his official relations with the members of this board are about to terminate, we beg to assure him of our highest respect and esteem, accompanying our best wishes for his continued health, prosperity and happiness.

(signed) John A. Ball, Frederick M. Kilmer,
James F. Darlin, Andrew A. Lamont,
F. De Witt Lapham, French O. J. Talbot,
L. Herbert Huntley, Silas L. Cummings.

Adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

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1. Resolutions

Alderman Lamont offered the following resolutions:-

Resolved -

That the thanks of this board be extended to Alderman John A. Ball for the very faithful and acceptable manner in which he has performed the duties of President of the board during the past year. (signed) Andrew A. Lamont, Silas L. Cummings, L. Herbert Huntley, F. De Witt Lapham, Frederick M. Kilmer, James F. Darlin, French O. J. Talbot.

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Adopted unanimously by a rising vote His Honor, the Mayor asking to be recorded also in the affirmative.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order:- | Order ✓

Ordered:-

That a request be sent to the Common Council, requesting a convention of both branches of the city council in the Common Council chamber this evening, for the purpose of listening to the valedictory remarks of his Honor, the Mayor.

Adopted, and Alderman Lapham appointed a messenger to convey the request to the Common Council.

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Request granted and Councilman Story appointed to convey the message to the Board of Aldermen.

In Convention of the City Council | Convention

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball, President Wilson, and Councilmen Kenney, Smith, Cushman, Grimmons, Burns, Gracy, Story, Crocker, Lord, Sinal and Foster present.

His Honor, the Mayor, read a valedictory address, reviewing the work of the City Council in the last three years. | Valedictory Address ✓

The purpose for which it was assembled having been accomplished, the convention was dissolved and the Mayor and Aldermen returned to their chamber. | Convention dissolved

In Board of Aldermen. | Board of Aldermen

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.

Aldermen Lapham, Huntley, Tarbox, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer, Cummings and Ball present.

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Order

Received from the Common Council the following order:-

Ordered:-

That the report of the joint special committee appointed to consider the subject of the city charter, together with the draft of proposed city charter submitted by the committee, be, and the same hereby is referred to the next city council. (signed) Robert Burns

In Common Council, Dec. 28. Adopted and sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, Dec. 28. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 29, 1898.

Votes

Votes of thanks were tendered the several members of the board for the faithful performance of their duties as aldermen of the city.

The several aldermen responded, Alderman Lapham's response being in verse form.

Adjourned.

Attest.

George S. Vincent

Clerk.

Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen, called by the Mayor to receive a veto message and to act on orders concerning the taking, by the Metropolitan Park Commission, of Chauncey and Winthrop avenues for boulevard purposes, - all of the members having been duly notified in writing. -
City Hall, Somerville, December 31, 1898. 8 P.M.

His Honor, Mayor Perry presiding.
Aldermen Lapham, Darlin, Lamont, Kilmer and Cummings present.

Records approved.

Received the following veto message from his Honor the Mayor, - Veto ✓

City of Somerville, Mass.
Mayor's Office

December 31, 1898.

To the Board of Aldermen
of Somerville,
Gentlemen: -

I return herewith, disapproved, an order which originated in your Honorable Board, by which the City Council joined in and signified its approval of the taking, on the part of the Metropolitan Park Commissioners, of certain lands now embraced within the locations of Winthrop and Chauncey avenues for the purpose of a parkway or boulevard.

I object to the order solely on the ground that no rights are therein expressly reserved to the city to make use of said avenues for subterranean pipes, conduits and structures. It seems to me to be of great importance not only that such rights should be reserved to the city but also that they should be clearly defined in the order, including the right to open the streets at all proper times for the purpose of rebuilding and repairing existing pipes, conduits, and structures, and for the laying and maintaining of such additional underground works and fixtures as may

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be found necessary or desirable in the future. Already there has been laid in said Hinthrop avenue a storm water drain, costing twenty-five thousand dollars, and it may be necessary to make further use of the streets in the extension and improvement of our systems of drainage and water supply.

While I am heartily in favor of transferring to the Metropolitan Park Commissioners absolute control of the surface and roadbed of Hinthrop and Blanchard avenues for boulevard purposes, it is neither necessary nor proper that the city should part with any of its rights to make use of the streets for all ordinary underground structures.

As my suggestions are amended order has been prepared, and I presume it will be presented to your Honorable Board in case the order now under consideration is rejected.

Respectfully submitted,

Albion A. Perry,

Mayor.

Read for information

1 Order

The order returned by the mayor with the foregoing message, whereby the city council joined in and signified its approval of the taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission of Blanchard and Hinthrop avenues for the purpose of an extension of the Fellsway Boulevard, which order was passed by this board December 15 and by the Common Council Dec. 22, was

Reconsidered, and its adoption, notwithstanding the objections of the mayor, was lost by a yea and nay vote; Aldermen Lapham, Durlin, Lamont, Kilmer & Cummings, 5, voting in the negative; Aldermen Huntley, Talbot & Bell being absent.

1 Veto

Received the following veto message from his Honor, the Mayor:

City of Somerville, Mass.
Mayor's Office

Dec. 31, 1898.

To the Board of Aldermen of Somerville:—

I return herewith, disapproved, an order which originated in your Honorable Board, by which the City Council joined in and signified its approval of the taking, on the part of the Metropolitan Park Commis-

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sion of certain lands or rights in land adjacent to Winthrop and Chauncey avenues, being narrow strips or parcels extending from Mystic avenue to or near to Broadway, said parcels to be taken chiefly for the purpose of establishing a building line on each of said avenues.

My objections to the order are the same as stated in a message this day transmitted to your Honorable Board in relation to the taking of Winthrop, and Chauncey avenues for boulevard purposes. In brief I may say that the interests of the city in the lands which it is proposed to take are not properly protected by said order.

Respectfully submitted,

Albion A. Perry,

Mayor.

Read for information.

The order returned with the foregoing veto message from his Honor the Mayor, whereby the city council joined in and signified its approval of the taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission, of an easement in certain of the lands abutting on Chauncey and Winthrop avenues, to provide for a set-back and prescribe a building line and to impose building restrictions upon certain of the lands adjacent to said avenues, which order was passed by this board December 14 and by the Common Council Dec. 23, 1898, was — Order ✓

Reconsidered, and its adoption, notwithstanding the objections of the mayor, was lost by a yea and nay vote, Aldermen Lapham, Davlin, Lamont, Kilmer and Cummings, 5 - voting in the negative; Aldermen Huntley, Tarbox and Ball being absent.

Received a petition from J. Frank Wellington, that alterations be made in the driveway of his estate at Union square, to conform to buildings now being erected, the same to be done at his expense. — Petition ✓

Read and sent down for information.

In Common Council, Dec. 31. Read for information.

Alderman Lapham offered the following order, — Order ✓

Ordered:-

That the Superintendent of Streets be, and he hereby

is authorized to make such proper alterations in the driveway across the sidewalk in front of the premises of J. Frank Hellington, on the northeasterly side of Union square, as said Hellington may desire, when he shall first have deposited with the City Treasurer a sum sufficient to cover the estimated cost of the work, which cost shall be borne by said Hellington.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 31. Adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 31, 1898.

√ Order

Alderman Dorlin offered the following order,-

Ordered:-

That the valedictory address delivered by his Honor the Mayor before the city council December 28, 1898, be and it hereby is referred to the next city council, with a request that it may be printed with the annual reports for the current year.

Adopted and sent down for concurrence.

In Common Council, Dec. 31. Adopted in concurrence.

√ Order

Received from the Common Council, the order passed by this board December 28, authorizing the Committee on Accounts to approve on payroll of Miscellaneous a bill in favor of Margaret B. Leirk, for the sum of two hundred seventy-six dollars and fifty-nine cents, in full of all claims for injuries received by falling on Broadway, July 20, 1897, endorsed as follows:-

In Common Council, Dec. 28, 1898. Read twice and adopted in concurrence. Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

In Common Council, Dec. 31, 1898. Adoption of order reconsidered. Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

In Common Council, Dec. 31, 1898. Received its first reading. Amended by striking out the word "miscellaneous" in the second line of the order and substituting therefor the word "Highways". As amended, received its second reading and adoption. Sent up for concurrence. Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk.

Further action was taken as follows,-

In Board of Aldermen, Dec. 31, 1898. Recended from former action in the adoption of the order. Amendment made by the Com-

now Council concurred in and the order as thus amended adopted in concurrence.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 31, 1895.

Alderman Ball offered the following order or instrument of taking by the Metropolitan Park Commission of Chauncy and Winthrop avenues as State boulevards, with concurrence in such taking by the City Council.-

Order of Concurrence

duplicate copy filed with the City Treasurer; original returned to the Metropolitan Park Commission.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners,

December 31, 1895.

Whereas, the undersigned duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, entitled "An Act to authorize construction of roadways and boulevards," being chapter two hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the year 1894, deem it desirable and expedient to take the lands and rights in land hereinafter described for the purposes and under the provisions and limitations set forth in said act and in Chapter 450 of the Acts of the year 1895.

Now Therefore we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said acts, and of any and every other power and authority we have in anywise enabling and under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the City Government of the City of Somerville, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said acts, and for all the purposes therein provided, the lands and rights in land, and all easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature thereto belonging, save as hereinafter expressly excepted, the same being two parcels lying in the City of Somerville in the County of Middlesex and shown on plan marked "Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan Park Commission, Tillinghast Extension, Plan of Taking, Mystic Avenue to Broadway, Somerville,

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Mass. xx November 16, 1898, Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer, "being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 167, the original of which is to be recorded herewith, and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners and bounded and described as follows, to wit:-

First: Beginning at a stone bound at the point of intersection of the Northwesterly side line of Winthrop Avenue with the Northeasterly side line of Broadway, thence South 42° 31' 3" East across the junction of said Winthrop Avenue with Broadway, Fifty and seventeen hundredths (50.17) feet to a stake at the point of intersection of the Southeasterly side line of said Winthrop Avenue with the Northeasterly side line of said Broadway; thence on the same course by said side line of Broadway, Forty-nine and twenty-six hundredths (49.26) feet to a stake in said side line at land of Thomas Bates, thence turning back at an acute angle and running Northwesterly, Northerly and Northeasterly, curving to the right on a radius of Forty-eight feet, through said land of Thomas Bates, Thirty-one and two tenths (31.2) feet to a stake in the division line between said land of Thomas Bates on the Southeast and land of Franklin O. Reed on the Northwest at a point distant Nine and eighty-four hundredths (9.84) feet Northeasterly measuring along said division line from its intersection with the Northeasterly side line of said Broadway; thence North 41° 34' 22" East by said division line, Seventy-five and five tenths feet to a stake at land of L. K. Gilbur and another; thence North 48° 20' 53" West by said land of Gilbur and another, Ten and forty-five hundredths (10.45) feet to a stake in the Southeasterly side line of said Winthrop Avenue, thence North 48° 58' 7" East by said side line of Winthrop Avenue, Eleven hundred thirty-three and thirty-two hundredths (1133.32) feet to a stake at the point of intersection of said last named side line with the Southwesterly side line of Hyetic Avenue; thence North 33° 1' 33" West across the junction of said Winthrop Avenue with Hyetic Avenue, Fifty and fifty-one one hundredths (50.51) feet to a stake at the point of intersection of said Southwesterly side line of Hyetic Avenue with the Northwesterly side line of said Winthrop Avenue, thence South 48° 58' 7" West by said side line of Winthrop Avenue, as it runs by Broadway Park, Twelve hundred twenty-six and five tenths (1226.5) feet to the stone bound at the point of beginning, comprising the street shown on said plan as Winthrop Avenue and land of Franklin O. Reed and land of Thomas Bates.

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Second: A parcel containing Sixty-six thousand one hundred eighty three square feet, comprising the location of Chauncy Avenue as shown on said plan, and bounded, beginning at a stone bound at the point of intersection of the Southeasterly side line of said Chauncy Avenue with the Northeasterly side line of said Broadway; thence North 56° 59' 57" East by said side line of said Chauncy Avenue as it runs by Broadway Park as shown on said plan, Thirteen hundred, sixteen, and forty-eight hundredths (1316.48) feet to a stake at the point of intersection of said side line of Chauncy Avenue with the Southwesterly side line of said Mystic Avenue; thence North 33° 1' 33" East by the extension of said side line of Mystic Avenue on a straight line across the junction of said Chauncy and Mystic Avenue, Fifty (50) feet to a stake in the point of intersection of the Northwesterly side line of Chauncy Avenue with the said side line of Mystic Avenue; thence South 56° 59' 57" West by said side line of Chauncy Avenue, Thirteen hundred twenty-seven and eighty-four hundredths (1327.84) feet to a stake at the point of intersection of said Northwesterly side line of Chauncy Avenue with the said Northeasterly side line of Broadway; thence South 42° 31' 3" East across the junction of said Chauncy Avenue with said Broadway, Fifty and seven-tenths (50.7) feet to the stone bound at the point of beginning.

Excepting, nevertheless, from both of the foregoing descriptions and from the operation of the Taking hereby made, for the use and benefit of the City of Somerville, the right of the said City forever to lay and maintain service pipes, mains, conduits, and other structures in said Parkways for the distribution of water, gas and electricity and for the disposal of drainage and sewage and for all other proper municipal purposes, as the same are now laid and maintained, or can by law, now or hereafter be laid and maintained in the highways of said city, but nothing herein contained shall be taken or construed to imply any right to have any overhead wire of any sort on said Parkways, or any part thereof, without the consent of said Metropolitan Park Commission in writing being first obtained.

In the exercise of the rights above excepted and reserved, said City may at all reasonable times and in a proper manner enter upon and dig up said Parkways, but shall first, when practicable, give Twenty-four hours notice to said Board, or its duly authorized

agent of intention or to do, and shall restore said Parkway to as good condition as before, and shall indemnify said Metropolitan Park Commission and said Commonwealth from all loss or damage occasioned by or growing out of such acts of the City.

Notwithstanding all the foregoing rights, provisions and agreements the general regulation of the territory included within said Parkway is to be and remain with said Park Commission according to said first mentioned act.

Intending to take and hereby taking each and every tract, estate or parcel or part thereof, save as hereinafter expressly excepted, included within the foregoing description or however otherwise bounded or described and be said measurements, or any of them, more or less.

All names of owners herein given, although believed to be correct are stated only as a matter of information and belief.

Witness our hands this Thirty-first day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Metropolitan Park Commission.
William B. de las Casas
Thomas L. Livermore
Edwin B. Haskell.
Edwin H. Curtis
Being a majority of said Board.

Know all men by these Presents,

That Whereas the Metropolitan Park Commission, duly established under and by virtue of an act of the Legislature of Massachusetts, being chapter 407 of the Acts of the year 1893, has taken, under authority conferred upon it by chapter 215 of the Acts of the year 1894, and with the concurrence of and in consultation with the proper local board, being the City Government of the City of Somerville, in the county of Middlesex, in said Commonwealth, and for the purpose defined in said last-named act, certain real estate referred to or described in the taking to which this instrument is annexed, dated December 31, 1898, these presents being hereby made a part thereof, which real estate lies in said Somerville, and is shown upon a plan marked "Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan Park Commission, Tilleray Extension, Plan of Taking. Mystic Avenue to Broadway, Somerville, Mass. x x November 16, 1898.

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Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' Plan No. 167, to be recorded herewith:

Now, Therefore, the said City Government for said City of Somerville, all duly chosen, qualified and acting, doth hereby join in and signify its approval of said taking, and its concurrence with the said Metropolitan Park Commission therein, and in every act, matter and thing connected therewith.

City of Somerville. In Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1895.
Adopted; sent down for concurrence.
George A. Vincent, Clerk.

City of Somerville. In Common Council, December 31, 1895.
Adopted in concurrence.
Chas. L. Robertson, Clerk.

City of Somerville, December 31, 1895.
Approved:
Alvin A. Perry, Mayor.

Order of Concurrence, duplicate copy filed with the City Treasurer, original returned to the Metropolitan Park Commission.

Alderman Ball offered the following instrument passed by the Metropolitan Park Commission, establishing building lines on the land abutting on Blakeley and Winthrop avenues, with concurrence in such action by the City Council,—

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
In Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners.
December 31, 1895.

Whereas the undersigned duly appointed and qualified as the Board known as the Metropolitan Park Commission, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entitled "An Act to authorize construction of roadways and boulevards," being chapter two hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the year 1894, deem it desirable and expedient to take the rights in land hereinafter described for the purpose and under the powers and limitations set forth in said act, and in chapter 450 of the Acts of the year 1895; and

Whereas, the said Commission has heretofore, to wit: by an instrument of Taking dated December 31, 1895, and accompanied by the official plan No. 167, said Taking and said plan being

recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, and being hereby expressly referred to] established an extension of that portion of the Middlesex Fells Parkway, called Fellsway, lying between Mystic Avenue and Broadway in Somerville in the County of Middlesex; and

Whereas said Commission further deems it desirable and expedient to provide for a set-back and fascicle a building line and to impose building restrictions upon certain of the lands adjacent to said extension of said Parkway,

Now Therefore we, said Board of Metropolitan Park Commissioners, by virtue of the authority conferred upon us by said acts, and of any and every other power and authority we hereto in any wise enabling, — acting herein in consultation and concurrence with the proper local board, being the City Government of the City of Somerville, have taken and do hereby take in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for the benefit of the said Commonwealth and the inhabitants thereof, in manner prescribed in and by said acts, and for all the purposes therein provided and herein recited, all such rights, including easements, privileges and appurtenances of every name and nature as may be necessary to give full force, virtue and effect to the restriction for the term of nine hundred and ninety-nine years from the date of these presents, that no buildings of any kind shall be erected or maintained upon or over any of these strips or lots of land abutting upon said extension of said Parkway which are described as follows: —

First: a parcel of land adjoining and lying Northwesterly of the second parcel described in said Taking and bounded Northeast by Mystic Avenue Ten (10) feet; Southeast by the Northwesterly boundary line of the above mentioned second parcel described in said Taking, Eight hundred thirty-five (835) feet, more or less; Southwest by the Northeasterly side line of Jaques Street as shown on said plan, Ten (10) feet, and Northwest by the dotted red line shown on the plan hereinafter referred to, being a straight line drawn parallel with and distant Ten (10) feet Northwesterly from the bound second hereinabove given, Eight hundred thirty-five (835) feet, more or less.

Second: a parcel also adjoining and lying Northwesterly of the second parcel described in said Taking and bounded Northeast by the Southwesterly side line of said Jaques Street Ten (10) feet;

Southeast by the Northwesterly boundary line of the second parcel above referred to described in said Taking, Three hundred eighty-eight (388) feet, more or less; Southwest by land of M. Kelley Ten (10) feet and Northwest by the dotted red line shown on the plan hereinafter referred to, being a straight line drawn parallel with and distant Ten (10) feet Northwesterly from the bound second herein given, Three hundred eighty-eight (388) feet, more or less.

Third: a parcel adjoining and lying Southeasterly of the first parcel described in said Taking and bounded Northeasterly by Mystic Avenue, Twenty-five (25) feet; Southeast by the dotted red line shown on the plan hereinafter referred to, being a straight line parallel with and distant Twenty-five (25) feet Southeasterly from the Southeasterly boundary line of the said first parcel described in said Taking, Four hundred three (403) feet, more or less; Southwest by the Northeasterly side line of Edmonton Avenue as shown on the hereinafter referred to, Twenty-five (25) feet; and Northwest by the Southeasterly boundary line of the above mentioned first parcel described in said Taking, Four hundred three (403) feet, more or less.

Fourth: another parcel adjoining and lying Southeasterly of the first parcel described in said Taking and bounded Northeast by the Southwesterly side line of said Edmonton Avenue Twenty-five (25) feet; Southeast by the dotted red line shown on said plan, being a straight line parallel with and distant Twenty-five (25) feet Southeasterly from the Southeasterly boundary line of the said first parcel described in said Taking, Two hundred eighty-seven (287) feet, more or less, Southwest by the Northeasterly side line of Blakely Avenue, Twenty-five (25) feet; and Northwest by the Southeasterly boundary line of the said first parcel described in said Taking, Two hundred eighty-seven (287) feet, more or less.

Fifth: another parcel lying Southeasterly of and adjacent to said first parcel described in said Taking and bounded as follows: beginning at the point of intersection of the Southwesterly side line of said Blakely Avenue with the Southeasterly boundary line of the first parcel described in said Taking; thence Southeasterly by said side line of Blakely Avenue, Twenty-five (25) feet to a point; thence turning and running South 48° 58' 7" West through land of

Frank, of Norris, and others, through land of L.K. Wilbur and another, and through land of Franklin O. Reed, Four hundred thirty-seven (437) feet, more or less, to a point in the Southeasterly boundary line of the first parcel above mentioned, described in said Taking; thence Northerly by said boundary line of said Taking, Eight (8) feet, more or less, to an angle in said boundary line; thence North 41°34'22" East still by said boundary line, Seventy-five and five tenths (75.5) feet to another angle in said line; thence North 48°20'53" West by said boundary line, Ten and forty-five hundredths (10.45) feet to a stake at another angle in said line; thence North 48°58'7" East still by the same, Three hundred sixty (360) feet, more or less to the point of beginning.

For the names of the owners of the estates affected by this Taking and by the building restrictions hereby created and imposed, reference is hereby made to information stated upon said first mentioned plan, but all names of owners thereupon given although supposed to be correct are stated only as matters of information and belief. The plan secondly hereinabove referred to is entitled "Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan Park Commission, Fellsway Extension, Plan showing Building Line, Mystic Avenue to Broadway, Somerville, Mass. x x November 19, 1898, Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' plan No. 168, the original of which is to be recorded herewith and the duplicate of which is on file in the official archives of said Commissioners.

Witness our hands this Thirty-first day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred ninety-eight.

Metropolitan Park Commission.
William B. de las Casas
Thomas L. Livermore
Edwin B. Haskell
Edwin U. Curtis

Know all men by these Presents,

That Whereas the Metropolitan Park Commission duly established under and by virtue of an Act of the Legislature of Massachusetts, being Chapter 407 of the Acts of the year 1893, has taken under authority conferred upon it by Chapter 288 of the Acts of the year 1894, with the concurrence of and in consultation with the proper local board, being

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the City Government of the City of Somerville, in the County of Middlesex in said Commonwealth and for the purposes defined in said last named act, certain rights in lands, including easements and appurtenances referred to or described in the Taking to which this instrument is annexed dated December 31, 1898, these presents being hereby made a part thereof, which land lies in said Somerville and is shown upon the plan marked "Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan Park Commission, Fellsway Extension, Plan showing Building Line, Mystic avenue to Broadway, Somerville, Mass. x x November 19, 1898, Wm. T. Pierce, Engineer," being Metropolitan Park Commissioners' plan No. 168 to be recorded herewith

Now Therefore the said City Government of said City of Somerville all duly chosen, qualified and acting, doth hereby join in and signify its approval of said Taking and its concurrence with said Metropolitan Park Commission therein and in every act, matter and thing connected therewith.

City of Somerville. In Board of Aldermen, December 31, 1898
Adopted and sent down for concurrence

George S. Vincent, Clerk

City of Somerville. In Common Council, December 31, 1898.
Adopted, in concurrence.

Chas. S. Robertson, Clerk

City of Somerville. December 31, 1898.
Approved:

Albert A. Perry, Mayor.

Adjourned.

Attest,

George S. Vincent
Clerk.